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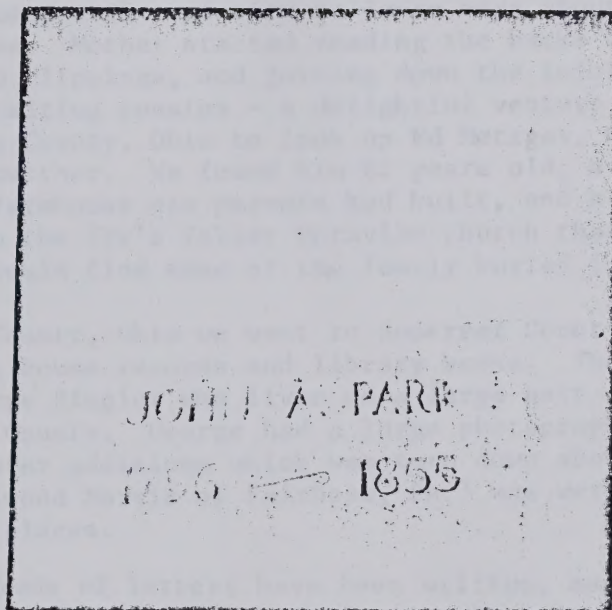
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FOREWORD

In 1969, with only slight curiosity, I stepped into the Genealogy Section of the West Palm Beach City Library. The most conspicuous books in the collection were the thirty or so matching D.A.R. Lineage volumes, so I started checking their indexes for possible familiar family names, not actually expecting to find any, but of course I didn't know many family surnames, either.

I hadn't gone far until I was running onto Row/Rowe and Ringler names. Although I was a Rowe, I didn't know any information beyond the fact that my grt. grandfather Row had died in Hudson, Ind. before I was born, but it did seem like mother had said that her Ringlers somewhere back in the line were from Pennsylvania and this John and his son Jacob that served in the Revolution were from Pennsylvania. Could it be?? Excitedly, I dashed a letter off to mother. She wrote back that in the very same mail she had received a letter from her cousin Marguerite Sedam of Columbus, Ohio that she had just joined D.A.R. on this very line.

By this time, mother (Berneice Ringler Rowe) and I were "hooked" on genealogy, for we were consumed with curiosity to learn more about the Ringlers and all of our other lines. Mother started reading the backs of old photos, reading Bible records and clippings, and jotting down the information. We started on our venture of visiting cousins - a delightful venture in itself - and went out to Tuscarawas County, Ohio to look up Ed Metzger, whose mother was a sister to mother's grandmother. We found him 82 years old, a widower, living alone in the fine big farmhouse his parents had built, and had a nice visit with him. He directed us to the Fry's Valley Moravian church that Grandpa Kislig belonged to, and said we would find some of the family buried in that cemetery.

From Tuscarawas County, Ohio we went to Somerset County, Pa. where we checked cemeteries, court house records and library books. The highlight of this trip was visiting George Ringler who lives on a large part of the original Ringler land in Somerset County. George had a large photograph of the original log house with its later additions which was torn down about 1943. George's sister Hilda (Mrs. H. Elwood Norris of Fairhope, Pa.) was very kind and helpful to us in locating many places.

Since then, hundreds of letters have been written, many more cousins, court houses and cemeteries visited. We had started an immense jig saw puzzle, not realizing how many pieces there would be. We now see that this puzzle may never be entirely finished.

Mona Rowe White

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PARR ANCESTRY

JOHN A. PARR

b. 1796 per tombstone

p.b. Germany

m. both marriages in Germany

d. 1855 per tombstone

bu. St. James Lutheran Church Cem.

Tuscarawas (town), Ohio. He

has a nice marble stone.

1st wife's name unknown. Apparently born and died in Germany and the mother of the first three children, George, Elizabeth and Peter.

+ 2nd CATHERINE ELIZABETH

b. ca. 1801-2 per census records

d.

(Age 68 in 1870 C. and living with son, Geo. Her stone is probably the fallen broken one beside John A. Parr.)

++ "Our Parr's were Hugenots of Lorraine, but during that terrible massacre of Hugenots, they had escaped to Germany where they lived for several generations before coming to America."

John A. Parr came to America about 1845 and the story has been told and retold down through the various family lines, that he wanted to spare his sons being drafted in the military.

In the 1850 census, we find John A. Parr and wife, with their three children, George age 20, Jacob age 17, and John 15, all listed as born in Germany and living at home together in Warwick Twp, Tuscarawas Co., Ohio. John A. Parr's three oldest children by his first wife are married and established in their own households, living nearby in the same township..and are in Sharon Moravian Church records..appears that they married into Moravian families. Peter Parr, the second son is singing in the choir at Sharon Moravian. St. Jame's Lutheran Church records show other members of the family active there and since John A. Parr was buried there in 1855, as were numerous of his descendants at later dates, it may be that the Parr's were Lutheran in the old country. Census records (with different information from time to time), church records, burial records and obituaries give their birthplaces as Rhine Byren, Meckhenheim, Bavaria or just Germany.

The children of John A. Parr:

1. GEORGE A. PARR	1820-1897	d. Steuben Co., Ind. See 3
2. ELIZABETH PARR	1823-1857	d. DeKalb Co., Ind. See 33
3. PETER PARR	1826-1907	d. Noble Co., Ind. See 39
4. GEORGE PARR	1831-1907	d. Tuscarawas Co, O. See 42
5. JACOB J. PARR	1833-1901	d. Tuscarawas Co, O. See 43
6. JOHN PARR	ca 1835-	d. Tuscarawas Co.,O. See 44

+ "I remember my father saying that his widowed mother came to Tuscarawas (town) with her three sons, George, Jacob and John. John was my father", per letter from Norman C. Parr, New Philadelphia, Ohio 1968.

++ Information from Mrs. Robert M. Parr of Rapid City, Mich. They lived with her father-in-law, (John) Peter Parr. b. 1868 - and grandson of John A. Parr the emigrant, for the first 10 years of their married life, and he often told her the above quoted information.

PARR AND METZGER REUNION

A brief history of the ancestors of this little gathering.

They were born in Rine Byren, Germany and emigrated from Rotterdam, Holland about the first of May and landed in N.Y. about the first of June 1846, and came by boat to Cleveland, Ohio at which place they resided about 4 yrs. Afterwards, moving to Tuscarawas Co., Ohio and later about the year of 1850 moving to Indiana.

Consisting of the Parr family were four brothers and one sister. Two brothers and the sister have passed away to the beyond, namely Peter, Jacob and sister Caroline.

Consisting the Metzger family were three sons and three daughters, Mary, Elizabeth, Catherine, Henry, John and George. Elizabeth, Henry, John and George have passed away.

Please have it understood that father and mother, Uncle Jacob Metzger and my Aunt, father's sister (Elizabeth), came across in the same boat.

Now a little gratitude towards our young and rising generation. When we look about us and see those useful branches that have sprung up from this old timber that will soon be a thing of the past.

I have had numerous inquiries in regard to so many bald headed Parrs, and have an answer. When father came across the water, he was on the hurricane deck and his hat blew off and the hot sun blistered his head. Soon after landing he became bald headed. Now, if this is a sufficient answer, we will let it go at that.

President: Geo. Schweitzer, RFD, Hudson, Ind.

Vice-President: Louis F. Parr, 4846 N. Drake Ave, Chicago

Secretary: Theron Farrington, RFD, Auburn, Ind.

Related by George or John Parr
about 1925 at a reunion held at Pleasant Lake Park.

DESCENDANTS of GEORGE A. PARR & ANNA MARY (OEHLER) PARR

GEORGE A. PARR (See p. 1 & 4)

b. June 7, 1820

p.b. Mechenheim, Germany

m.

d. July 17, 1897

Salem Twp, Steuben Co., Ind.

bu. Circle Cemetery, Hudson, Ind.

Large marble tombstone.

ANNA MARIA/MARY OHLER

b. Mar. 7, (10), 1820

p.b. Newton Byron Germany

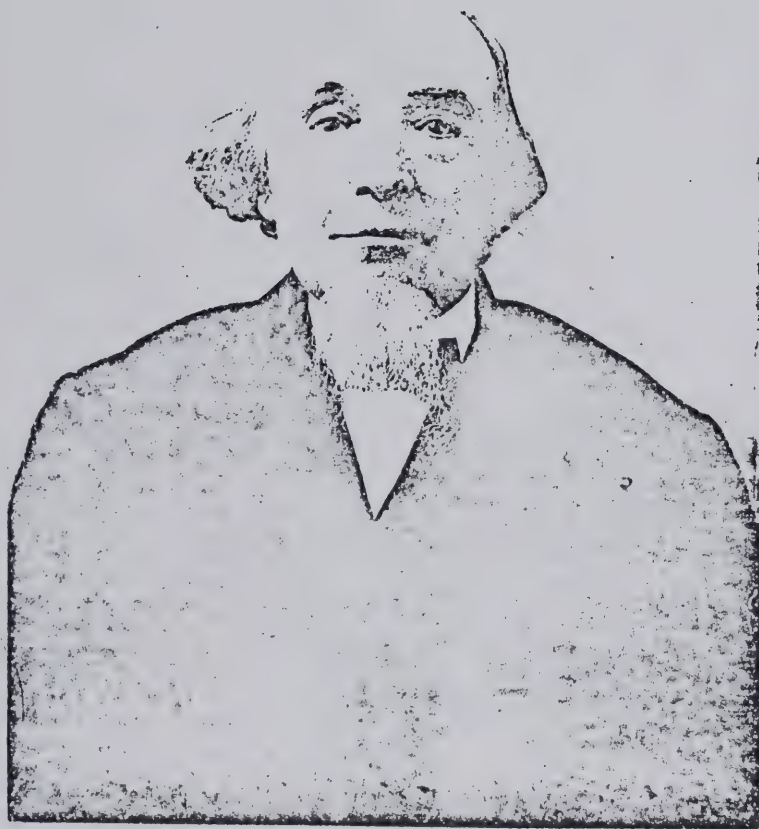
d. Jan. 21, 1912, Angola, Ind. at her son, John's home.

bu. Circle Cemetery, Hudson, Ind.

+ George A. Parr was born at Mun Hine, Germany, June 7, 1820. According to German laws he was placed in the standing army at the age of 21 for six years, in which place he served 4 years, when in order to gain a home in America, he hired a substitute for the remaining 2 years. He was united in marriage while in the army to Miss Mary Oler in 1841. Mary Oler was born at Newton Byron, Germany March 7, 1820. With her husband and small child, they set sail from Rotterdam, Netherlands the spring of 1846 and after a voyage of 43 days landed in New York the first of June. They went to Cleveland, Ohio where they remained about three years, when they moved to Tuscarawas County, Ohio where there were other Parr and Oler relatives. They were there about one year and then moved to DeKalb County, Indiana and in 1863 moved to Steuben County, Ind. They were members of the German Lutheran Church.

Children of George A. Parr:

1. PETER PARR	b. Germany	1842 - 1920	See p. 5
2. JACOB PARR	b. Ohio	1848 - 1923	See p. 6
3. GEORGE PARR	b. Indiana	1850 - 1926	See p. 27
4. EMILINE PARR	b. Indiana	1858 - 1919	See p. 30
5. FARR	b. Indiana	1860 - 1949	See p. 31



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GEORGE A. PARR 1820 - 1897



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ANNA MARY (OHLER) PARR 1820 - 1912

PETER PARR³ (George A.², John A.¹)

See p. 3

b. 1842

p.b. Germany

m. SEVILLA

d. 1920

b. 1845 (Age 25 in 1870 C.)

p.b. Indiana

d.

In the 1850 Census, Peter's age is given as 8 yrs. old, and the 1870 Census his age is given as 27, and on the latter date he is married, a resident of Salem Twp, Steuben Co., Ind, and the first three children are born.

Children of Peter and Sevilla Parr:

1. FRANK PARR b. 1866 per census in Indiana

ALICE PARR b. 1867 " " " "

TIMOTHY PARR b. 1869 " " " "

MORTON PARR

ily moved in, and around, Redlands, California.

JACOB PARR³(George A.², John A.¹)

See p. 3

b. Nov. 3, 1848

p.b. Tuscarawas Co., Ohio

m. July 3, 1871

d. May 13, 1923

p.d. Salem Twp, Steuben Co., Ind.

bu. Trinity Cemetery, Salem Twp.

ANNA LOUISA KISLIG

See p.55

d/o David & Catherine (Fisher) Kislig

b. Oct. 25, 1849

p.b. Tuscarawas Co., Ohio

d. June 13, 1939

Salem Twp, Steuben Co., Ind.

bu. Trinity Cemetery, Salem Twp.

In 1850, Jacob's father George A. Parr, left Tuscarawas Co., Ohio and moved his family to DeKalb Co., Indiana. Within the next few years, George's full brother Peter moved his family to DeKalb Co., Indiana, too, and at about this same time John Jacob Metzger who had married their full sister, Catherine Elizabeth, moved to DeKalb Co. Their father, step-mother, and three half brothers spent the remainder of their days in Tuscarawas County, Ohio.

Jacob, who had left Tuscarawas Co. as a babe in arms, decided to leave his Indiana home and go back and visit and work among his Ohio relatives. The C. 1870 shows him employed as a laborer in the household of John Oswald, who was a stone mason and resident of Warwick Twp., Tuscarawas County, Ohio. Jacob's age is given as 21. In the same household we find Anna Kislick age 20, as a domestic. The following summer, we find Jacob and Anna's marriage recorded in the Tuscarawas County marriage records. They moved to Salem Twp, Steuben County, and bought a small farm about 3 miles from his parent's place. Jacob's children attended the school built on their farm near their house, and when the school's consolidated, the one-room frame school building became the property of Jacob Parr, when the land it stood on reverted back to him. All of Jacob's grandchildren and great-grandchildren can remember playing in and around the "old schoolhouse" which was still a good sturdy building with its big blackboard and housed full of curios, tools and perhaps what some people would call junk. It was a great day, when an older relative that had attended school there could be persuaded to go with us "down to the old school house" and talk to us about their childhood memories.

Grandma (Anna Louise Parr), was a widow for 16 years, but lived out her days on their farm, keeping a few cattle, with always a milk cow, and a flock of chickens. She always had a new batch of cottage cheese in the making, the curds in a cloth bag (sugar sack?), and the whey dripping into a pan or bowl. Each year, she was a little more stooped, easily moved to tears over the loss of Gil (son) and Pa (husband), but her face would brighten when she thought of her Lord, and especially when she learned that one of her descendants and or their mates, had forsaken their sins to serve God. At big family dinners in her home, or next door at her daughter Flora's, Grandma Parr always said the "blessing". Till nearly the last. Grandma Parr could be seen out mending the rail fences, or grubbing weeds from the fence rows.

Children of Jacob and Anna Louise (Kislig) Parr:

See p. 7

1. ELVINA C. PARR	b. Apr. 17, 1872	d. Sept. 12, 1872	See p. 9
2. GILBERT C. PARR	b. Aug. 8, 1873	d. Apr. 4, 1897	See p. 9
3. LEONARD K. PARR	b. June 26, 1876	d. Mar. 6, 1956	See p. 10
4. FLORA MAY PARR	b. Dec. 4, 1878	d. Oct. 24, 1961	See p. 11
5. LOUIS F. PARR	b. 1882	d. Feb. 19, 1969	See p. 22
6. EARL J. PARR	b. Nov. 19, 1884	d. Nov. 18, 1966	See p. 23
7. IRMA ANNA PARR	b. Nov. 19, 1884	d. Sept. 12, 1967	See p. 25



1896 The children of Jacob and Anna L. (Kislig) Farr
 (from left to right):
 Elmer, twins, Gilbert, Ed (twins)
 Stanley, Leonard

LEONARD K. PARR 1946

Leonard K. Parr, resident of Padroni, Colo., for thirty-nine years, died at his home March 6, at the age of seventy-one years. Mr. Parr, the son of Jacob and Anna Parr, was born near Salem Center, on June 26, 1876.

He attended Tri-State college and received his A. B. degree in Indiana State Normal at Terre Haute.

After teaching several years in Steuben county, he went to Sterling, Colo., in 1905, to homestead. He accepted the position of principal of the Sterling school and homesteaded near Padroni.

He was united in marriage to Helen Sherwin on August 31, 1908. Being very civic minded, he devoted his life to improving the Padroni schools and community.

He retired from his lumber yard business in 1945, because of ill health.

Mr. Parr is survived by his loving wife, Helen; two sisters, Mrs. Flora Ringler, of Pleasant Lake, and Mrs. F. L. Crone, of Angola; two brothers, Louis Parr, of Chicago, Ill., and Earl Parr, of Wendell, Idaho.

Funeral services were held March 10 at the Presbyterian church in Sterling and he was laid to rest in Riverside cemetery near Sterling.

MRS. IRMA A. CRONE 1967

Mrs. Irma A. Crone, 82, widow of Floyd L. Crone, died at her home at Rt. 4, Angola, early Tuesday afternoon, September 12.

Surviving are two sons, John Crone of Rt. 4, Angola and Don

Crone of Fort Wayne; four daughters, Mrs. Ada Beggs, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Clela O'Malley, North Tonawanda, N.Y.; Mrs. Ina Brockreide, Boulder, Colo.; and Mrs. Grace White, Woodland Hills, Calif.; a brother, Louie Parr, Chicago, Ill.; 28 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Klink Memorial Chapel after noon Thursday. Funeral services will be conducted at the funeral home at 2 p.m., Friday, September 15, with Pastor Paul Reyelts of the Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola, officiating. Interment will be in the Mt. Zion Cemetery near Golden Lake.

MRS. FLORA MAE RINGLER

Mrs. Flora Mae Ringler, 1961 R.R. 1, Pleasant Lake, passed away at the Underwood Nursing Home in Pleasant Lake at 4:45 a.m. Tuesday, after an extended illness. She was united in marriage on May 29, 1897 to Chauncey O. Ringler, who preceded her in death. She was a lifelong resident of Salem township and was a member of Trinity Reformed Church of Salem Center.

Surviving are five children, three sons, Harold, of Goshen, Cecil C. of Chesaning, Michigan and Earl P., of R.R. 1, Pleasant Lake; two daughters, Mrs. Berniece Rowe, of Pomona, Park, Florida and Mrs. Alice J. Lochner, of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Louis F. Parr, Chicago and Earl J. Parr, Wendell, Idaho; one sister, Mrs. Irma Crone, Angola; nine grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Kistler Funeral Home in Hudson, where services will be held at 3:30 p.m., Thursday, with Rev. Vern Noll officiating. Interment will be in Circle cemetery, Hudson.

**Services Thursday
For Floyd L. Crone**

Floyd L. Crone, 60, died Monday morning at his home in Angola after an illness of several months. Mr. Crone had retired some time ago from active participation in the dairy business which he had operated with his sons, and had moved from the farm east of Angola to the residence of the late Nella Henwood, which he and Mrs. Crone had purchased. Mr. and Mrs. Crone spent last winter in Florida, and on their return, Mr. Crone entered the Kaylor-Nickel Clinic in Bluffton for treatment, and after undergoing surgery was returned to his home here, where he has been bedfast for several weeks.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Klink Funeral Home at two o'clock on Thursday afternoon, and burial will be in the Mount Zion cemetery.

Surviving are the wife, Irma; his mother, Mrs. Addie Crone; two sons, Don and John; both of Angola; four daughters, Mrs. Ada Sibert, of Angola; Mrs. Clela O'Malley, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Mrs. Irma Brockried, of Miami, Fla.; Mrs. Grace White, of Terre Haute; one brother, Cecil Crone, of Chapman, Neb.; two sisters, Mrs. Elsie Treas, of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Ina Hudson, of Lansing, Mich., and twelve grandchildren.

IRMA PARR'S HUSBAND 1948**EARL J. PARR 1966**

Word has been received of the death of Earl J. Parr, 82, on Saturday, November 19th in Wendell, Idaho.

Earl grew up in Salem Center and went to Idaho as a young man and became well known there in the meat packing business.

He leaves a twin sister, Mrs. Floyd (Irma) Crone of Angola; a brother, Louis Parr, Chicago; three sons, three daughters, 16 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services and burial took place in Wendell on Tuesday, November 22.

LOUIS F. PARR 1969

Louis F. Parr, 87, a former resident of the Salem community, died February 19 at the Grant Hospital Extended Care of Chicago, Illinois.

A retired salesman for Cushing & Company of Chicago, he was a resident of Chicago for nearly 60 years.

Surviving are his wife, Helen, and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at the Hollerbach Funeral in Chicago at 10 a.m. February 22 with burial in the Memorial Park Cemetery, Evanston, Illinois.

CHILDREN OF JACOB AND ANNA LOUISE (KISLIG) PARR (from p. 27)

1. ELVINA C. PARR, b. April 17, 1872, d. Sept. 12, 1872
Burial at County Line Cemetery, Salem Twp, Steuben Co., Indiana
2. GILBERT OLER PARR, b. Aug. 8, 1873, d. Apr. 4, 1897
Burial at Trinity Cemetery, just down the road and over the hill from his parent's home. The family erected a large marble monument to his memory, and at the same time, matching smaller ones were obtained for the future use of his parents.

Gilbert was a well liked and enterprising young man. He and his father, invented Tidy Holders and other household items. Business was good and Gilbert was spending much of his time as a salesman covering several states. The death of Gilbert, (pneumonia), in his early twenties was a great shock and grief to the family.

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3. LENARD K. PARR (from p. 6)

b. June 26, 1876; died March 6, 1946; resident of Padroni, Colo. for 39 years.
m. Aug. 31, 1908 to Helen Sherwin. Following news item from the Republican Advocate of Sterling:

"On Monday morning Rev. J. E. Aibrey spoke the words that united for life Prof. L. K. Parr and Miss Helen Sherwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Sherwin. Obtaining all the education the Sterling schools could give her, she attended the State University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. Mr. Parr obtained principalship of the Montrose High School, one of the most important high schools of the state."

Lenard's obituary: "Leonard K. Parr, resident of Padroni, Colo. for 39 yrs. died at his home March 6, at the age of seventy-one years. Mr. Parr, the son of Jacob and Anna Parr, was born near Salem Center, on June 26, 1876.

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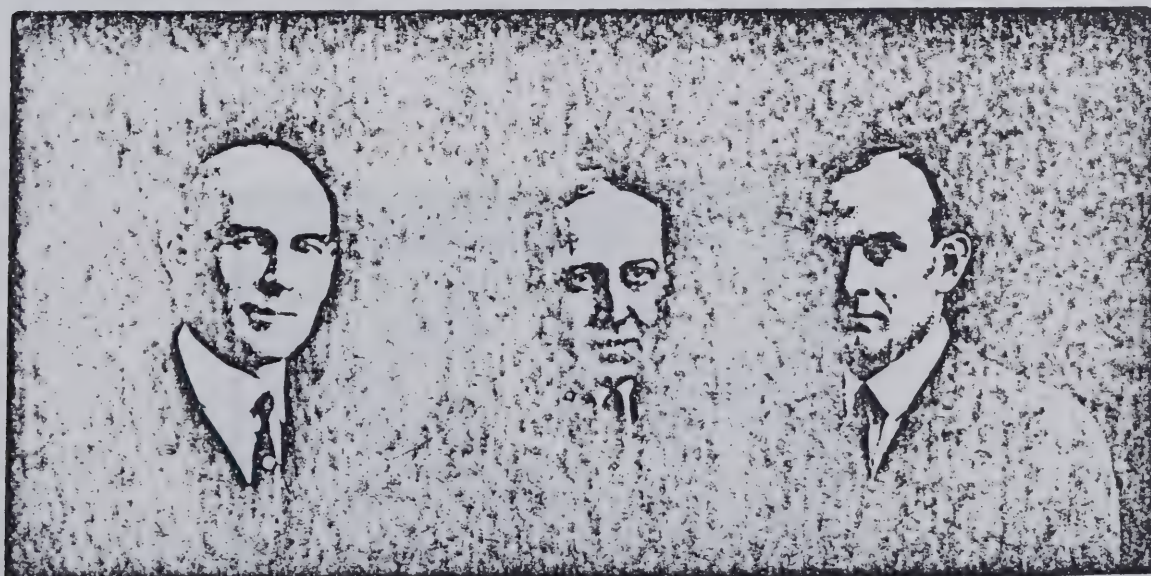
He was united in marriage to Helen Sherwin on August 31, 1908. Being very civic minded, he devoted his life to improving the Padroni schools and community.

He retired from his lumber yard business in 1945 because of ill health.

Mr. Parr is survived by his loving wife, Helen; two sisters, Mrs. Flora Ringler, of Pleasant Lake, Ind. and Mrs. F. L. Crone of Angola, Ind; two brothers, Louis Parr of Chicago, Ill, and Earl Parr of Wendell, Idaho.

Funeral services were held March 10 at the Presbyterian church in Sterling and he was laid to rest in Riverside cemetery near Sterling."

Lenard's wife, Helen, passed away in December 1970.



LENARD

LOUIE

EARL

4. FLORA MAY PARR

(from p. 6)

b. Dec. 4, 1878

m. May 29, 1897

d. Oct. 24, 1961

Pleasant Lake, Ind.

bu. Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

CHAUNCEY RINGLER

b. Sept. 11, 1871

d. May 16, 1940, Angola, Ind. - in hospital

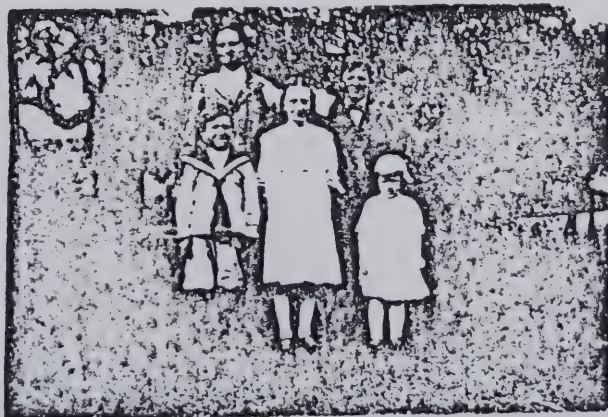
bu. Circle Cemetery, Hudson, Ind.

Flora and Chan were members of Trinity Reformed Church one and one-half miles east of Salem Center. Flora was born the next place west of the church on the south side of the road. Her children were all born "up on the hill", the second place north of her parent's home on the west side of the road. Later, Flora and Chan farmed the "Conklin place" which was the large farm across the road from her parents, sold their little farm "up on the hill" and bought the 40 acres on the south-west corner and soon after the close of World War I built there a fine seven room residence. Her widowed mother continued to live on her little farm on the south-east corner of this intersection, and they could see each other working around in their yards, and some time during the day one would run over to see how the other was getting along. Years later, after her mother had passed on, her son Earl and his wife remodeled and modernized the Parr house, and Flora had the pleasure of seeing her little grandchildren play in the same yard she had played in as a child.

Flora was a lover of the great outdoors. She taught her children to behold the wonders of the earth and sky. She could quote much poetry and by that means taught the children lessons they did not soon forget. She was well known for the many beautiful flowers she grew, particularly the tulips, many varieties of iris, and also for her beautiful roses.

Children of Flora and Chauncey:

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| 1. HAROLD WILLIAM RINGLER | b. Oct. 21, 1898 | See p. 12 |
| 2. CECIL CHAUNCEY RINGLER | b. Sept. 5, 1900 | See p. 14 |
| 3. BERNIECE MAY RINGLER | b. Feb. 14, 1903 | See p. 16 |
| 4. EARL PARR RINGLER | b. Mar. 29, 1907 | See p. 20 |
| 5. ALICE JUNE RINGLER | b. June 17, 1910 | See p. 21 |



1. HAROLD WILLIAM RINGLER

(From p. 11)

b. Oct. 21, 1898

m. 1st 1921

d. Oct. 5, 1973 Goshen, Ind.

bu. Sturgis, Mich.

1st DELPHA RINEHART, dau. of Mr. and Mrs.
John Rinehart of Stroh, Ind.2nd ALICE A. KEELER, wid. & dau. of
Wm. and Ida Phelps

Harold lived a number of years in Sturgis, Mich; moved to Goshen, Ind. where he was employed by Penn Electric and spent his retirement years in the same city.

ch: of HAROLD & DELPHA (RINEHART) RINGLER: JOHN ROBERT and DONALD LEE

(1) JOHN ROBERT RINGLER

b. May 30, 1924

m. 1947 to JOYCE MAYSTEAD

d.

ch: JOHN RINGLER

b. Oct. 5, 1947

m. to SHERRY

John and Sherry have a son, JAY ROBERT b. , 1968

(2) DONALD LEE RINGLER

b. July 29, 1932

m. 1st KAREN ZONGKER of Union City, Mich.

d. 2nd MARILYN (MYRTLE) N. SWANSON of Lansing, Mich.

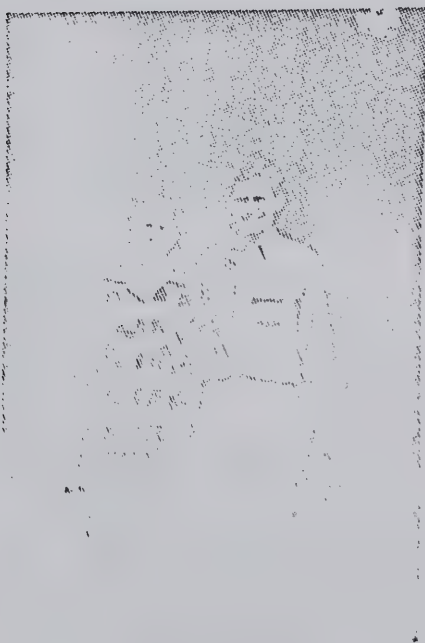
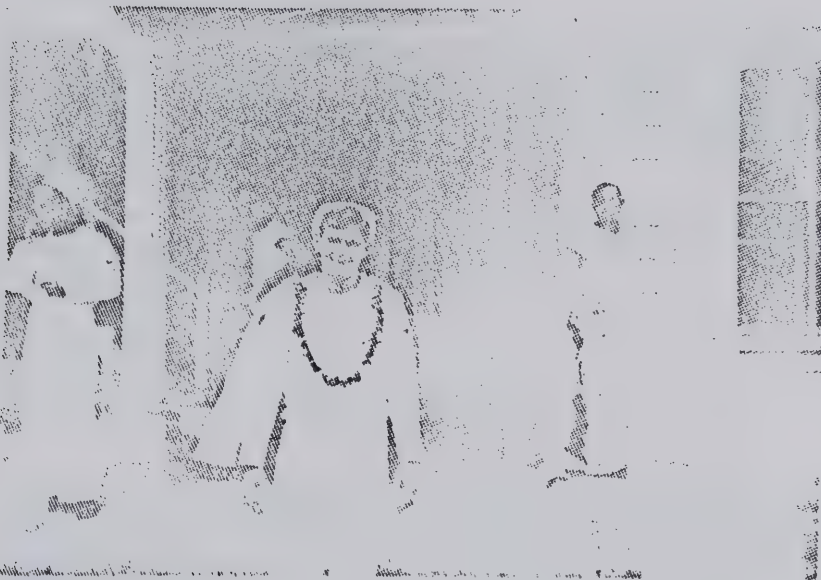
ch: Donald and his first wife had two daughters.

1. DONNA KAY RINGLER b. Mar. 10, 1961

2. TANDRA SUE " b. Sept. 3, 1962

Son of Harold and Delpha Ringler.

John Robert Ringler S K 3/C
Navy #129 3rd Division



Donald Lee John Robert

Cecil Harold Earl

2. CECIL CHAUNCEY RINGLER (resident of Chesaning, Mich.)

From p. 11

b. Sept. 5, 1900
 m. 1926
 d.

MARY OLINGER
 b. Mar. 24, 1905
 d. June 3, 1971

Cecil received his M.A. at Indiana University. He was principal 6 yrs. and Superintendent 8 yrs. of the White Pigeon, Mich. public schools. In 1947 moved to the Chesaning, Mich. public schools where he was principal from 1947 to 1968. His wife, Mary taught elementary grades in Michigan public schools.

Cecil and Mary (Olinger) Ringler had three daughters: CECILIA ANN, MARILYN JANE and BARBARA JEAN. See below.

(1) CECILIA ANN RINGLER

b. July 21, 1928
 m. 1946 to JOSEPH NELSON b. Dec. 14, 1925
 d.

ch: CHRISTINE ANN NELSON	b. Dec. 17, 1952
JOSEPH PETER "	b. Sept. 13, 1955
CHRISTOPHER MARK "	b. Jan. 11, 1959
AMY JO "	b. Aug. 3, 1960

(2) MARILYN JANE RINGLER

b. Apr. 27, 1931
 m. to ROBERT HARRISON, Lieut. Jr. Gr., W.W.II Vet, USN
 d. Reserve

ch: DOUGLAS ALLEN HARRISON	b. Sept. 4, 1957
PATRICK ROBERT "	b. Sept. 23, 1958
DAVID EMMETT "	b. Aug. 24, 1961

(3) BARBARA JEAN RINGLER

b.
 m. 1st THOMAS McCALPIN, 2nd JACK BUGBEE
 d.

ch: MICHAEL THOMAS McCALPIN	b. Sept. 9, 1956
PATRICK MILTON "	b. Aug. 4, 1959

Jan. 1974, Barbara writes "My son Pat is a freshman this year and broke his arm the first week of football. Mike will graduate in June and is working at the hardware store here in town. My kindergarten classes and home keep me very busy. My husband, Jack is a very avid hunter....our freezer is full of deer, antelope, mule deer, rabbit, fish, and etc. We go alot in a new camper."

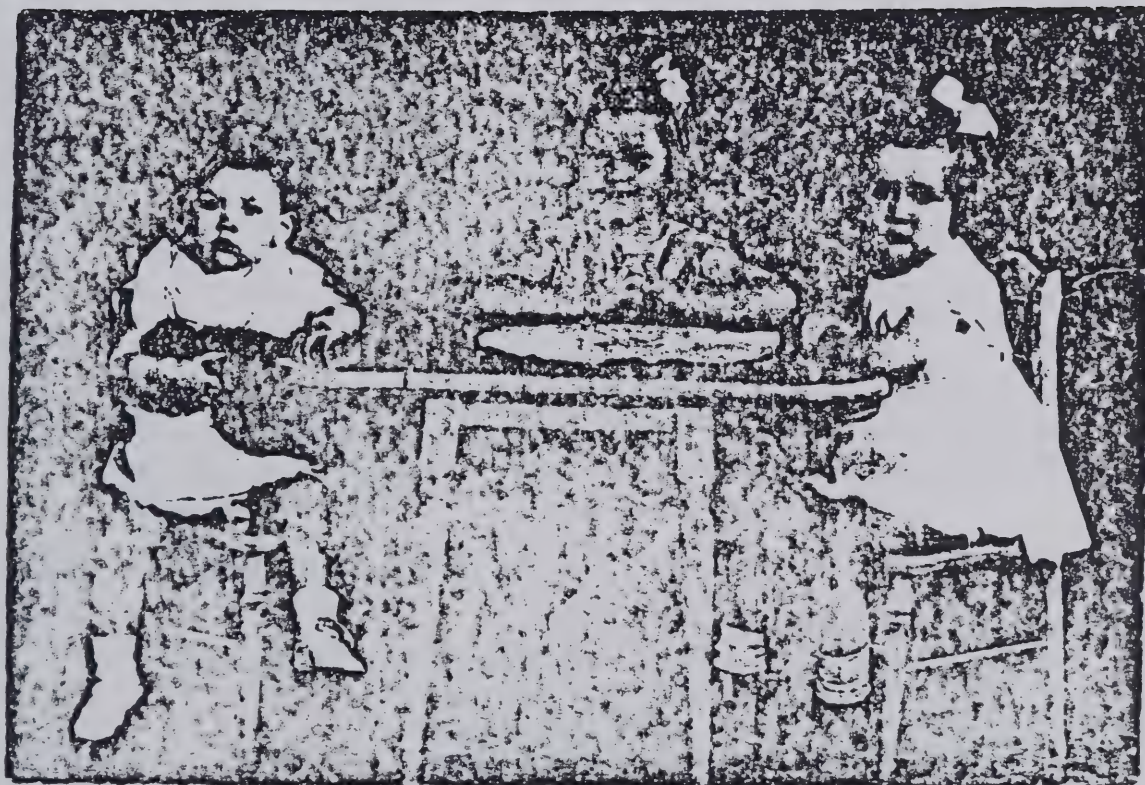
Picture of

Cecil Ringler 1920



1925 he married Mary
Olinger from near
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Their three daughters
were born at White
Pigeon, Michigan.



Barbara

1973

Married and has two
sons. Lives in Ches-
aning, Mich. Teaches
in the public school.

Cecilia

Studied nursing, married
and has 2 dau. and 2 sons.
Lives Chesaning, Mich.

Marilyn

Became a TWA airline
hostess. Married
and has 3 sons. Lives
Denver, Colorado.

3. BERNIECE MAY RINGLER

(from p. 11)

b. Feb. 15, 1903
 m. 1922
 d.

CHARLES EMERSON ROWE, son of
 George & Nancy (Lowe) Rowe
 b. May 19, 1901
 d.

Charles and Berniece (Ringler) Rowe were residents of Hudson, Ind. until 1959 when they moved their wreath making business to Pomona Park, Florida. However, they have continued to summer in Hudson, Ind.

(1) WAVA JUNE ROWE

b. Aug. 14, 1923
 m. 1941 to RICHARD A. WHITE b. Feb. 24, 1918, Flint, Ind.
 d.

Wava is a medical laboratory technologist and her hobby is genealogy. The White's moved from their farm east of Fremont, Ind. to West Palm Beach, Fla. in 1959.

ch:¹Foster son - JACK FERRIER b. Jan. 12, 1934, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
 1974-resides at Coldwater, Mich.

²Adopted " - MAX D. WHITE b. Nov. 11, 1945, Garrett, Ind.
 m. July 29, 1967 to DIANA MAJEWSKI
 1974-reside Palm Springs, Fla.

(2) CHARLETTA JOY ROWE

b. Oct. 21, 1927
 m. 1946 to BILLIE RUSSELL JACKSON, b. Jan. 3, 1924
 d.

Charletta attended Manchester College. In 1966, the Jackson's moved to West Palm Beach, Fla, where Bill is in the construction industry and Charletta is Asst. Supr. of the proof reading department of the Palm Beach Post-Times.

ch:¹BONNIE JOE JACKSON b. June 10, 1947
 m. 1967 to CORNELIUS J. LANG
 1974-res. W. Palm Beach, Fla.

The Lang's are parents of:

MARGARET JOY b. Oct. 19, 1967
 DAWN MARIE b. Nov. 18, 1969; d. Nov. 2, 1970
 JAMES ARTHUR b. Oct. 22, 1971
 RUSSELL CORNELIUS b. Dec. 27, 1972

²CONNIE LU JACKSON b. Jan. 5, 1949
 m. 1968 to JOHN PROXMIRE
 1974-res. Lantana, Fla.

The Proxmire's are parents of:

WYATT STUART b. Apr. 29, 1969
 CLAYTON ELLIOT b. Dec. 29, 1971

³MONA LU JACKSON b. Apr. 30, 1957

⁴ARTHUR BILLIE JACKSON b. Apr. 19, 1960



Celebrate anniversary

1972

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rowe of Pomna Park, Florida, were honored by their children November 25 on their 50th wedding anniversary with a surprise dinner party at the Town House Restaurant in Palatka. The couple has three daughters and one son, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Those helping them celebrate were their son Larry of San Diego, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Wava) White, Mr. and Mrs. Russell (Charletta) Jackson, their children Arthur and Mona; Mr. and Mrs. John Proxmire, all of West Palm Beach, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius (Ruth) Felman and daughter Majorie of Langhorne, Pa.;



1957

Larry Charles



1940

Ruth Charletta Wava Mother Father

3 RUTH LOUISE ROWE
 b. Feb. 5, 1935
 m. 1962
 d.

CORNELIUS EELMAN (son of Mr. and Mrs.
 Peter Eelman)
 b. June 13, 1927

The Casey Eelman's have two sons by his previous marriage and have adopted a daughter. They reside in Langhorne, Pa.

(1) BRUCE EELMAN
 b. Aug. 17, 1951
 m. July 9, 1970 to JEAN CHAPIN
 d.

(2) GARY EELMAN
 b. Oct. 12, 1953
 m. June 2, 1973 to CAROL ANN VERSHELDE
 d.

(3) MARJORIE EELMAN
 b. Nov. 17, 1958
 m.
 d.



Marjorie

Ruth (Rowe) Eelman

January 16, 1969

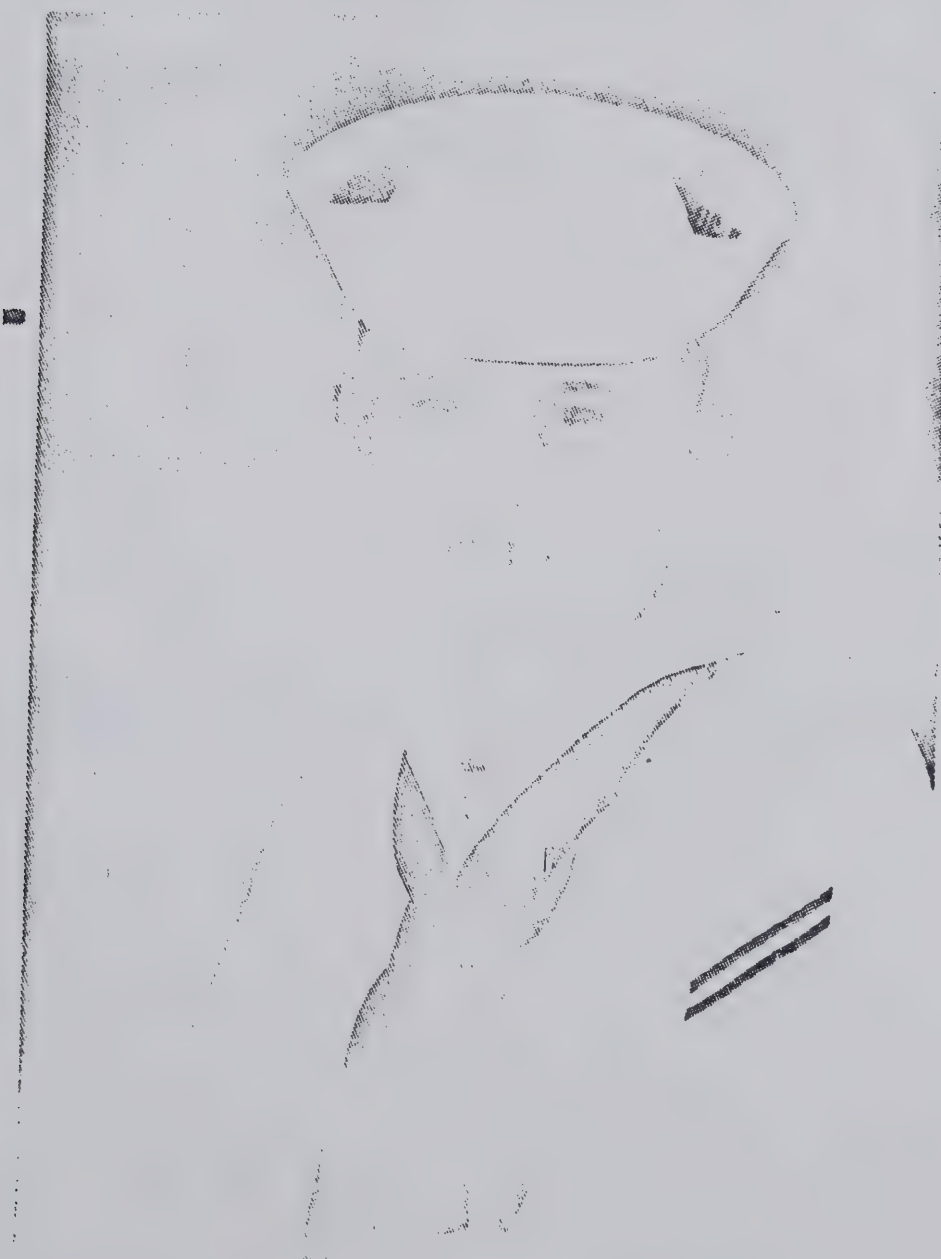


INAUGURAL RUN — Yesterday's inaugural run of the Penn Central "Metroliner" marks a new phase in high speed rail transportation in the northeast section of the United States. The train carried dignitaries and newsmen to and from various points between Washington and New York. The train is now in daily operation. (Courier Times Photo by Jay Crawford).

Cornelius Eelman,
 husband of Ruth (Rowe)
 Eelman, and
 on this Metroliner.

⁴LARRY CHARLES ROWE AC 3, Navy Viet. Combat
b. May 12, 1947
m.
d.

Larry was with the air craft carrier "Hornet", operated as a unit of the 7th Fleet in the Gulf of Tonkin. At present, Larry is a law student in San Diego, California... 1973.



EARL PARR RINGLER
 b. March 29, 1907
 m. 1940
 d.

ROWENA HUGHES dau. of Lester &
 Bell (Wark) Hughes
 b. March 26, 1909
 d.

The Earl Ringler family live on or farm, and cherish the adjoining family homesteads of Jacob Parr, Chauncey Ringler II, and Lester Hughes. Rowena and Sylvia are teachers in the Public Schools of Steuben County, Indiana.

Earl and Rowena (Hughes) Ringler had two children: STUART and SYLVIA.
 See below.

¹STUART EARL RINGLER

b. June 18, 1946

m.

to DONNA McCONAHAY

d.

b. July 1, 1946

²SYLVIA RINGLER

b. Nov. 8, 1948

m.

d.



Stuart Ringler



Sylvia Ringler

Children of Earl and Rowena (Hughes) Ringler

5. ALICE JUNE RINGLER

(from p. 11)

b. June 17, 1910
 m. 1945
 d.

MARION LOCHNER (widower)
 b.
 d.

Marion Lochner was with Bursley & Co., Wholesale Grocers for 44 years. He became Vice President and Sales Manager of the company in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. The Lochners now spend their winters in Sarasota, Florida and summers at Snow Lake (Steuben Co., Ind.).

Alice is a graduate of Ft. Wayne International Business College. She was employed in the advertising department of Bursley & Co. Her hobby is ceramics. Her speciality is dolls - Ladies of Fashion from Early Times to the Present. She has a very large display of the many she has made.

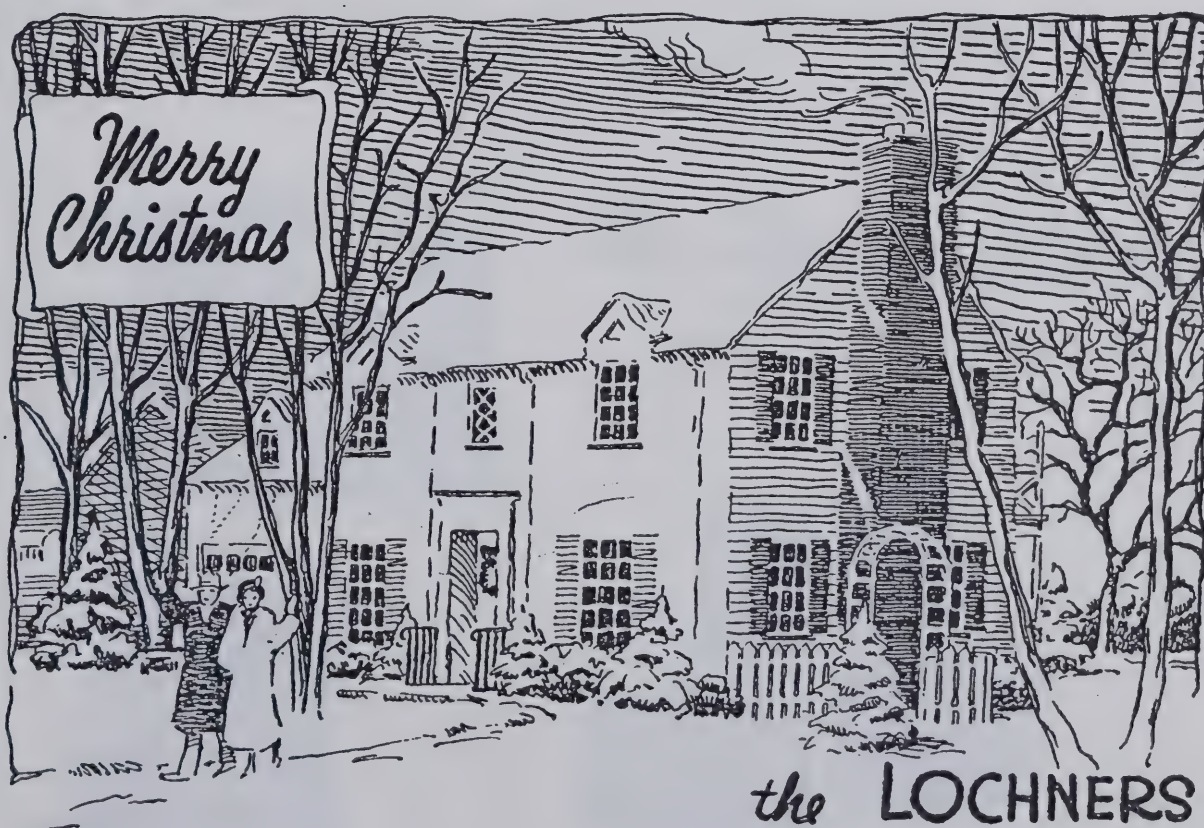
Children from Marion Lochner's first marriage:

(1) BERDINE LOCHNER

b.
 m. to JAMES BEAM

(2) KEITH LOCHNER

b.
 m.



Marion is an artist as is also his son. The sketch is of their home where they lived for many years on Rudisill Blvd., Ft. Wayne, Indiana

5. LOUIE F. PARR (from p. 6)
 b. 1882
 m. 1910 1st ANNA BROCHMAN of Chicago
 d. Feb. 19, 1969 b.
 bu. Memorial Park Cem. d. suddenly of a heart attack in 1958.
 Evanston, Ill.
 2nd HELEN who survived him.

Louie and Anna didn't have children of their own, but enjoyed their neices and nephews.

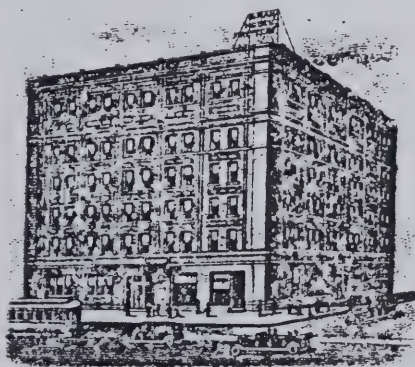
On April 26, 1968, Louie wrote the following letter to his niece Alice:

"I have been thinking I should write you about my early days in Chicago. I was 20 years old and came to Chicago in the summer of 1902. I didn't know anyone here at all, but had a nice letter of reference from William Kimsey who had The General Store in Salem Center, Indiana. His daughter married Tom Marshall who became Vice President under President Wilson's first term.

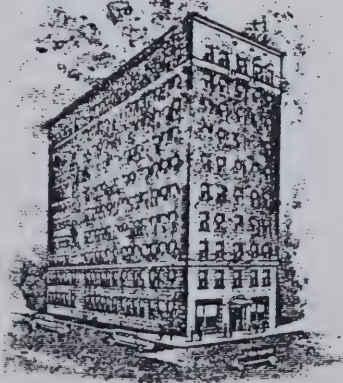
"With this letter, I got a job with D. B. Fisk, Wholesale Milliners, the first place I called for a job. 1903, I got a job with Keuffel & Esser as a salesman selling surveying instruments and general drafting supplies. In 1905 they sent me to St. Louis to travel the Western states. My salary was \$15 per week but I had an unlimited expense account. I stayed at the best Hotels and the job was very interesting.

"In 1907, I came back to Chicago and went to work as a salesman for Eugene Dietzgen Co. and traveled for them until 1945 or 38 years. After that, I worked for Cushing and Company of Chicago until retirement."

Below are some letterhead pictures on stationery he used while staying at these hotels in his early selling years.



EUROPEAN PLAN



The Inman Hotel

ABSOLUTELY FIREPROOF

ALL INTERURBAN AND CITY CARS STOP AT OUR DOOR

CHAMPAIGN'S FINEST HOTEL



To Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Parr were born twins, Earl and Irma. (from p. 6)

6. EARL JACOB PARR
 - b. Nov. 19, 1884
 - m. Jan. 22, 1909 to MINNIE JANE DUPRESS
 - d. Nov. 18, 1966

Children: 3 dau: IRMA (Mrs. Mason), DORA (Mrs. McConnell), JEAN (Mrs. Lehman)
 2 sons: +ELMER E., LENARD W.

Earl, at a very young age, the year 1907, went to Chicago where his brother, Louie Parr was employed.

Earl found work with Marshall Field & Co., department store, and traveled for them for a year. It was in Chicago that he met Minnie Dupress of , who later became his wife. He moved to Wendell, Idaho on December 5, 1908. On January 22, 1909 he was married to Minnie at Shoshone, Idaho. Earl sent a message to his parents, "Minnie arrived here today and we were married at 3:30 P.M."

Feb. 8, 1909 he wrote his parents, "I'll give you an idea of what the people here and the people coming in think of this town. Yesterday, there were over 100 town lots sold, day before yesterday 96, and the day before that there were 80 some sold. They sold all the way from \$50 to \$400 each."

Earl also sent a clipping from the Idaho newspaper: "Some of the finest steers ever shipped from southern Idaho went to the Omaha market Friday from Wendell, where they were loaded by E. J. Parr. About 25 cattlemen witnessed the weighing and loading of the hefty beef. One of the two carloads averaged 1600 pounds to the steer, one big fellow tipped the beam at 1840."

In 1911, Earl Parr and his wife established the "Parr Meat Market" in Wendell, Idaho. He served the city as councilman, mayor, and twelve years on the school board. He was Past Master of the Masonic Lodge No. 54AF, Order of the Eastern Star and Modern Woodman.

He passed away November 18, 1966. Surviving him were:

5 children, 23 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

+ Lovell, Elmer E. Parr's wife, wrote a letter to his cousin, Alice (Ringler) Lochner, mentioning that they have 5 children - Rollin Earl; Colleen married to Ed, and that they and their two children are in Australia for 2 yrs. teaching; Elaine, 2nd Lt. in the Air Force at Chanute AFB, Illinois; another son married and living in Greeley, Colorado, and a foster daughter and family living in Eugene, Oregon. Letter dated Dec. 16, 1973.



Earl and Irma
twins
of
Jacob and Anna Parr



Bussy's specialty is outdoor Idaho.

Bus Mason, artist, at work on one of his paintings.
He is the grandson of Earl Parr.

7. IRMA ANNA PARR (Twin of Earl Parr - see p. 33)

b. Nov. 19, 1884

m. to FLOYD L. CRONE who died Dec. 13, 1948, age 60

d. Sept. 12, 1967

Route 4, Angola, Ind.

bu. Mt. Zion Cemetery at
Golden Lake

Irma was a teacher in the public schools for several years prior to her marriage to Floyd Crone, a farmer near Golden Lake, southwest of Angola. After a time, they moved east of Angola to Scott township, and it was at Scott Center that all their children attended school. Floyd, Irma and children worked very hard to establish the Crone Dairy, later known as Crone and Sons Dairy, which supplied milk and other dairy products, in house to house and store deliveries, to Angola, the many nearby lake resorts and other nearby communities. At the time of Floyd's death, he had retired from active participation in the dairy business, which his sons were now running, and was living in Angola. After a few years, Irma went back to the country, to live with her oldest son, John and family. She maintained an active life to the end, with a lively interest in current events, good reading, sewing, and yard projects.

Children of Irma Anna Parr and her husband Floyd L. Crone were:

1. JOHN D. CRONE (Contractor - earth moving, ditching, etc. Angola, Ind.)
 - b. June 18, 1915
 - m. 1st to WILMA MEYERS and their daughter DONNA MARIE b. Oct. 11, 1939
Donna and her husband live in the Chicago area - have 4 children.
 - m. 2nd VIRGINIA M. PETERS, d/o FRANCIS G. & VERA JEANNE (TILLMAN) PETERS
John and Virginia had a daughter,
VICKI JEANNE b. Feb. 27, 1949. She is now married to MICHAEL NICHOLS
of Fort Wayne, Ind. They have a little daughter ANGELA.
2. ADA BELLE CRONE, R.N.
 - b. Dec. 12, 1919
 - m. 1st to HERBERT SIBERT b. July 7, 1914, New Martinsville, W. Va. to
Frank and Alma Sibert
d. Feb. 1, 1956, Angola, Ind. (Vet. of WWII)
 - m. 2nd WILLIAM BEGGS Ada and Bill live in Columbus, Ohio. He is
an engineer.

Children of Ada and Herbert: JAMES ALLEN, HELEN (R.N.), THOMAS
3. DON PARR CRONE (Insurance business, Fort Wayne, Ind.)
 - b. Mar. 21, 1918
 - m. 1st to DAWN GUERTNER

ch: SUE ELLEN CRONE	b. Nov. 9, 1943
SHIRLEY ANN "	b. June 20, 1946
DON LESLIE "	b. Sept. 23, 1948
SYLVIA "	b. Sept. 25, 1949

PARR DON " (Ch. of Don Parr Crone's later m.)

Floyd and Irma (Parr) Crone's children continued p. 26.



Virginia



Vicki



John



DONNA MARIE

Six months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Crone, Angola. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Floy Crone, Angola, and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Myers, Pleasant Lake.

Daughter of Floyd and Irma (Parr) Crone

FIRST NURSE TO ENTER MILITARY SERVICE



ADA BELLE CRONE

—Staff Photo

Ada Belle was the first nurse to enlist for active service in Steuben County, Indiana. She enlisted in the Navy Nursing Corps in May, and was called for active duty as a member of the United States Nursing Corp leaving on Sept. 22, 1942. She was assigned to the San Francisco Naval Hospital on Mere Island. She was a graduate from the Ravenswood Hospital in Chicago.

4. CLELA ANN CRONE - 4th child of Irma (Parr) and Floyd Leslie Crone
 b. Aug. 23, 1921 B.A. Tri-State College, Angola, Ind. former
 Secretary Chief Signal Corps, Washington, D.C.
 m. Jan. 6, 1945 JAMES ALOYSIUS O'MALLEY, Jr. b. June 6, 1921
 Univ. of Mich. B.S.E. Ae. 43; MSE Ae. 47; Univ. of Buf-
 falo MBA 1955; Captain Corps of Engineers 43-46; Aerospace
 engineer.

<u>CHILDREN</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>EDUCATION</u>	<u>MARRIED & CHILDREN</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>
JAMES A. III	7/13/45	Univ. of Mich. B.S.E.ae. 1968	Louise Kotarski ch: James A.IV 1/70 Sean Patrick 9/72	Capt. U.S. Corps Engineers 1968-71
MAUREEN A.	8/1/46	Univ. of Mich. B.S. Bio. Sc. 1969	Herman DuBois ch: Renee	Peace Corps Kenya, E. Africa
STEPHEN E.	8/18/47	Univ. of Okla. B.B.A. 1970	Killed 6/27/71	2nd Lt. USAF
ROBERT J.	8/30/48	Univ. of Okla. B. Arch. 1971	Single	2 yrs. USAF ROTC
SANDRA M.	10/27/50	Univ. of Okla. Journalism 1968-72	Daniel J. Groveman	Missionary
MARY E.	2/02/54	Univ. of Calif. San Francisco Soph. - 1973	Single	
KATHLEEN T.	9/14/55	1000 Oaks H.S. Grad. 1973	"	
CHARLES J.	5/28/57	1000 Oaks H.S. Jun. 1973		
PATRICK J.	5/09/61	Redwood 7th grade 1973		
JACQUELINE H.	6/01/62	Acacia Grammer 6th grade 1973		

5. INA MAE CRONE (School Teacher)
 b. 1923

m. WAYNE BROCKRIEDE

ch: ROGER, LOUISA, ROXANNE, EUGENE, THOMAS and BETH.

Ina and Wayne collect antiques, live and teach in Colorado.

6. GRACE CRONE (School Teacher)
 b. Oct. 20, 1927
 m. GENE WHITE - School Teacher
 ch: PAUL, ALEX, REBECCA

The Gene White's live in Woodland Hills, Calif. and are creative. Did most of their own house building, landscaping large yard, building swimming pool, and constantly have new projects going. Gene likes to garden, and Grace is artistic, sews, reupholsters, and designs crafts for her school children. Summers, they come to their Indiana farm - home of Gene's childhood.

THE O'MALLEYS

Clela Ann Crone was married to James A. O'Malley, Jr. on Jan. 6, 1945. He was at that time a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Clela was an original occupant of the new Pentagon and was a secretary to the Chief of Signal Corps of the U.S. Army. James O'Malley became a Captain in the army before the end of his four years of military service, and after receiving his discharge, went back to Ann Arbor, Michigan to study for a Masters Degree in Aeronautical Engineering, which he received in August 1947. He then took a job with Bell Aircraft in Buffalo, N.Y. For the next 18 years they lived in Buffalo and North Tonawanda. At the latter address, they lived in a country home which they modernized and expanded as their family expanded. During those years, Jim designed the first Variable Sweepback Airplane, the X-5, and went to Edwards Air Force Base in California for a couple months to flight test it. He also worked on the rocket powered X-1A, which broke the world's speed and altitude records - the first airplane to go more than twice the speed of sound. In 1955, Jim finished his night school course and got a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Buffalo.

By 1958, Jim had flown his second Jet Powered Vertical Take Off Airplane. He was on the road a lot talking to the Navy in Washington, the Air Force in Ohio and companies in California. They got a big contract for a fighter bomber and Jim was promoted to Department Head with 350 people reporting to him.

There was much hard work in those years and little time for vacations, but in 1959, Jim decided to take a long vacation through the national parks with his family. After packing the station wagon, he and Clela and their eight children started out on this venture - stopped in Indiana and picked up Clela's mother, Irma, then 76 years old, to join them, so that she "could see the West again". So out they went, through Wisconsin Dells, the Black Hills, over the top of the Big Horn Mountains and up the Shosone River Valley. By the grace of God, they stopped 30 miles short of Yellowstone the night of the disastrous earthquake, drove in the next morning, felt the after shocks, fought off the bears, and Clela's mother proved a real trooper through it all. After 3 days in this area, they drove on through Jackson Hole, over the Grant Teton peaks and down the Snake River Valley, passed through the Crater of the Moon in moonlight, and arrived in Wendell, Idaho to visit Irma's twin brother, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Parr and family. Irma decided to stay on there and help, as Earl's wife was sick. Jim's drove on to California and had another rest stop with Clela's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Gene White and family who "showed them all around" and then headed back through the Boulder Dam, Grand Canyon, Painted Desert, Mesa Verda and Royal Gorge of Colorado. There they called up Aunt Helen Parr (widow of Irma's brother Len), and she said "come and bunk with me in my apartment" so they did - all 10 of them. Later, Helen visited them in No. Tonawanda. The trip took 40 days and they covered 9,000 miles.

Jim was promoted to Marketing Manager. In 1960, Clela traveled with him to Paris, France; Derby, Manchester, London, England; Belfast, Ireland; Frankfurt, Bonn, Cologne, Koblentz, Dusseldorf and Munich, Germany. While there they saw the Oberamagar Passion Play.

About 1966, they moved into Tonawana, where they had bought an old well-cared for brick mansion, with beautiful cherry doors, staircases, sliding panels. In the summer of 1968, they moved into a new six bedroom house in Thousand Oaks, California.

Over the years, Clela and Jim were blessed with 10 children. All the older children have graduated from college, with the five younger children still (1973) at home, attending school or college. Their third child Stephen graduated from U. of Oklahoma in 1970 and received his orders for flight training at Vance A.F.B. Enid. June 6, 1971, while on take off at Port Magu, Calif. with his flight instructor, the plane exploded over the Pacific. He has a Memorial Plot in Arlington Cemetery where his Uncle David O'Malley, Lt. Commander in the Navy is buried.

GEORGE PARR³(George A.², John A.¹)

(from p. 3)

b. 1850
m. Apr. 12, 1878
d. , age 76

CATHERINE SCHIMP
b. 1850
d. 1937

ch: PEARL, ARTHUR, AUGUST, EARL, BESSIE, GEORGE, CARL (See below)

(1) PEARL PARR b. 1879
m. MILLER
d. 1972

Res: Kendallville, Ind.

ch: PAUL

ch: ¹DONNA (Mrs. Wade - has 2 ch), ²BYRON, ³MORGAN

DOYLE

ch: ¹JOAN, ²ELIZABETH (mother of 4 sons), ³JAMES

DONALD

Locomotive engineer with B&O. He and wife Betty live in Auburn, Ind.

MABLE m. JAMES SHREEVE

ch: JAMES, STEPHEN, TERRY, CATHY

(2) ARTHUR VICTOR PARR b. July 13, 1881 d. 1972 - see obit.
Farmer in Salem Twp., Steuben Co., Ind. Never married..

(3) AUGUST (GUSS) PARR b. Nov. 20, 1885
m. Oct. 9, 1909 ELLA VAN PELT b. Jan. 16, 1891
d. Dec. 9, 1969
bu. Wright Cemetery, Salem Twp, Steuben Co., Ind.
See obit. p. 38

ch: FERN, FLOI, ELWOOD, IMOGENE See p. 29

(4) CHARLES EARL PARR b. June 1, 1886 (1888)
m. Dec. 27, 1911 KATHERINE M. d/o IRA & NETTIE HOVARTER
b. Jan. 11, 1892 - see obit
d.

ch: GLADWYN L. of Ashley; Mrs. Robert E. (EVELYN) Young of Wolcottville;
Mrs. Omar (ARMETTA) Brown of Beach Grove; Mrs. Ralph (GENEVIEVE) Hassel-
man of Kendallville; BURDETTE of Corunna; Mrs. Robert (METTA JEAN)
Jaquay of New Haven; and Mrs. Edwin (MARGARET) Jesse of Bryan, Ohio

(5) GEORGE PARR b. May 10, 1890 d. Apr. 8, 1960, age 70
m. ELSIE KEMERY

CARL CLIFFORD PARR b. d.
m. MARIE res: Daytona Beach, Fla.
ch: VIVIAN; LOUISE

BESSIE PARR b. Oct. 9, 1895 d. Nov. 1971
m. CARL GRAMLING
d. Nov. 1971 - see obit.
bu. Fairfield Cemetery, DeKalb Co., Ind.
Res: Ashley, Ind.

ch: L. D. GRAMLING of Angola, Ind.

OBITUARIES

GUST O. PARR

Gust O. Parr, 84, of Route 1, Hudson, died at 2:15 p.m. Tuesday in the Elmhurst Hospital, where he had been a patient for two weeks. He had been ill several months.

Friends may call at the Kistler Funeral Home in Hudson after 7 p.m. tonight (Wednesday). Funeral services will be conducted at the funeral home at 2 p.m. Friday, with The Reverend Chester Reed, officiating. Interment will follow in Wright Cemetery in Salem Township.

A retired farmer, Parr was born November 20, 1885, in Salem Township, where he was a lifetime resident. He was the son of the late George and Katherine Chimpff Parr.

Survivors include his wife, Ella M., whom he married October 9, 1909; one son, Elwood, of Route 1, Hudson; three daughters, Mrs. Floi Grimm, Mrs. Polly Parker, and Mrs. Fern Elson, all of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, three brothers, Arthur Victor and Charles Earl, both of Kendallville and Carl of Daytona Beach, Florida; and two sisters, Mrs. Pearl Miller, of Kendallville, and Mrs. Bessie Gramling of Ashley.

ARTHUR PARR

Funeral services for Arthur Parr, 90, were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville. Interment followed in the Wright Cemetery in Salem Township, Steuben County.

Parr died at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the LaGrange Nursing Home. A retired farmer, he was born July 13, 1881, in Steuben County, to George and Katherine (Shimpft) Parr.

Surviving are one sister, Mrs. Pearl Miller, of Kendallville, with whom he formerly resided; two brothers, Charles E., Kendallville, and Carl, Daytona Beach, Florida; and 19 nieces and nephews. Two brothers and one sister preceded him in death.

BESSIE F. GRAMLING

Funeral services for Bessie F. Gramling, 76, of 301 Conser Street, Ashley, were conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Weicht Funeral Home.

The Reverend William W. Cale, pastor of the Ashley Church of God, officiated at the rites. Interment followed in Fairfield Center Cemetery, DeKalb County.

Mrs. Gramling died Friday in Cameron Hospital, Angola. She was born October 9, 1895, a daughter of the late George and Catherine (Schint) Parr.

Survivors include her husband, Carl; a son, L.D. Gramling, of Angola; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; three brothers, Carl Parr, of Daytona Beach, Florida; Earl Parr, Kendallville; and Arthur Parr, LaGrange; and one sister, Mrs. Pearl Miller, of Kendallville.

KATHERINE M. PARR

Katherine M. Parr, 78, of Kendallville died of a heart attack at her home Monday at 8:30 a.m. She had been ill a number of years.

Born in Steuben County on January 11, 1892, the daughter of Ira and Nettie (Rhinehard) Hovarter, she married Charles E. Parr on December 27, 1911, in Hudson.

She is survived by her husband and eight sons and daughters: Gladwyn L. Parr of Ashley; Mrs. Robert E. (Evelyn) Young of Wolcottville; Mrs. Omar (Armetta) Brown of Beach Grove; Mrs. Ralph (Genevieve) Hasselman of Kendallville; Burdette Parr of Corunna; Mrs. Robert (Metta Jean) Jaquay of New Haven; and Mrs. Edwin (Margaret) Jesse of Bryan, Ohio.

Other survivors include one brother, two sisters, 25 grandchildren, and 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville at 1:30 p.m. today (Wednesday). Burial followed at Fairfield Center Cemetery in DeKalb County.

Descendants of August Parr⁴ (George³, George A.², John A.¹) : from p. 27

FERN ARLENE PARR⁵

b. Apr. 18, 1910

m.

PAUL O. ELSON

ch: 1. SHIRLEY ELSON b. Aug. 11, 1929 m. LEON K. BIXLER b. Nov. 19, 1930
ch: RENEE BIXLER b. Mar. 12, 1955

2. PAULA O. ELSON b. Oct. 3, 1931 m. RICHLARD L. HURLEY b. Nov. 12, 1928
ch: JON LEE HURLEY b. Nov. 23, 1952
SUZETTE ELLEN HURLEY b. Jul. 29, 1953
TAMARA DEE HURLEY b. Mar. 17, 1960

FLOI IRENE PARR⁵

b. Dec. 15, 1911

m. 1930 HENRY L. WHEELER b. Sept. 7, 1907

m. 2nd ROBERT C. GRIMM res: Fort Wayne, Ind.

ch: CAROLE ANN WHEELER b. Nov. 3, 1932 m. WAYNE E. SHEETS b. Oct. 30,
ch: GREGORY WAYNE SHEETS b. May 9, 1950
JEFFERY THOMAS SHEETS b. Apr. 25, 1951
LINDA CAROLE SHEETS b. Apr. 1, 1955
DOUGLAS EUGENE SHEETS b. Mar. 4, 1957
BRENDA SUE SHEETS b. Sept. 2, 1963
FAITH ANN SHEETS b. Mar. 15, 1972

+ ELWOOD LAVON PARR⁵ - Farmer and has livestock and grain trucking business
b. Dec. 22, 1915
m. Feb. 17, 1940

FLORENCE LOUISE DE GRAW d/o BROWN DE GRAW
b. May 17, 1917, Canton, Ohio
Graduate of Salem Center High School
Accomplished vocalist, pianist, and organist.

ch: 1. GAYLORD ROGER PARR b. Apr. 24, 1941 m. JANET WILDER b. Oct. 8, 1941
ch: JEFFERY ALLEN PARR b. Nov. 23, 1963
ANGELA ALLISON PARR b. June 16, 1965
GREGORY ERIC PARR b. Sept. 10, 1970

2. RICHARD BRENT PARR b. Sept. 21, 1945 m. ROSELAND E. MOELLERING b. 12/13/1945
ch: ALICIA JANELL PARR b. Aug. 19, 1970 Calif.

3. GORDON ELWOOD PARR b. Mar. 4, 1948 m. MAUREEN M. ELLSWORTH b. Mar. 14, 1950
ch: RACHEL CATHLEEN PARR b. Dec. 13, 1969

4. RODNEY LYNN PARR b. Feb. 5, 1952

IMOGENE ROSE PARR⁵

b. Mar. 23, 1918

m.

GEORGE W. PARKER
b. Dec. 9, 1910

ch: 1. TERRY LEE PARKER b. May 11, 1940
2. KENT DOUGLAS PARKER b. Sept. 13, 1943

+ Elwood Parr bought the family farm in Salem Twp, Steuben Co., Ind. May 1973.
His grandfather Geo. Parr bought the property March 1888, and sold it to his son Augustus, the father of Elwood, in Feb. 1928.

CAROLINE E. PARR³ (George A.², John A.¹)

from p. 3

b. 1858

m. MONROE WRIGHT

d. 1919

b. 1858

bu. Wright Cemetery

d. 1941

Salem Twp, Steuben Co., Ind. bu. beside wife in Wright Cemetery

Farmers in Salem Twp., Steuben Co., Indiana.

Ch: ARTHUR, ETHEL, CYRUS, STELLA (One son and one dau. moved to Texas)

"Monroe F. Wright b. Salem Twp. Oct. 12, 1858, s/o Elbridge and Martha Ann (Cochran) Wright.....1885 owned 120 a. of the old homestead farm of his father. Married Carrie Parr, native of DeKalb Co., Indiana born 1858, d/o George Parr an early settler of DeKalb Co. but now a resident of Steuben Co. To Mr. and Mrs. Wright have been born two children, Arthur G. and Cyrus." from 1885 History of Steuben Co., Indiana

JOHN PARR³ (George A.², John A.¹)

from p. 3

b. Apr. 23, 1860

m.

SOVILLA SHIPE

d. Jan. 1949, age 87

b. Jan. 24, 1860

d. Aug. 1945, age 85

They were farmers and resided in Steuben Co., Ind. John was a livestock buyer for many years. After retirement, they moved to Kendallville, Ind.

Ch: WILLIAM, SHIRLEY, DONNA, JOHN JR, MARY ELSIE (MATE), LLOYD

1. WILLIAM PARR, retired Wabash locomotive engineer, d. age 80
m. and resided in Montpelier, Ohio; they had one son who married and resided in Cincinnati, Ohio and they were the parents of two adopted children.

2. SHIRLEY PARR, b. June 26, 1885, d. July 23, 1973, age 87 see obit. p. 32.
m. Apr. 6, 1910 SYLVIA E. d/o Geo. & Alice (Shade) Canon see obit. p. 32.

ch: Mrs. DOROTHY Coney, LaGrange; DONALD and MERRITT of Sturgis, Mich; DALE Route 1, Ashley; GERALD of Hobart.

3. DONNA PARR, b. May 30, , d. Nov. 7, 1970, lived Blanchester, Ohio.
m. REED

ch: BASIL REED killed by accident 1925

4. JOHN PARR, b. 1890, d. Aug. 1970 age 80 see obit. p. 32.
m. ENOLA d/o Eugene & Phoebe (Ewers) Rodebaugh; d. 1972 see obit. p. 32.

ch: VIRGINIA (Mrs. Jack Simmons of Fort Wayne, Ind.)

ch: Mrs. JULIE Penner of Ray, Ind.

5. MARY ELSIE (MATE) d. age 89
m. IVAN DILLMAN

ch: BERDELLA (Mrs. Cecil Bell) res. Fairborn, Ohio

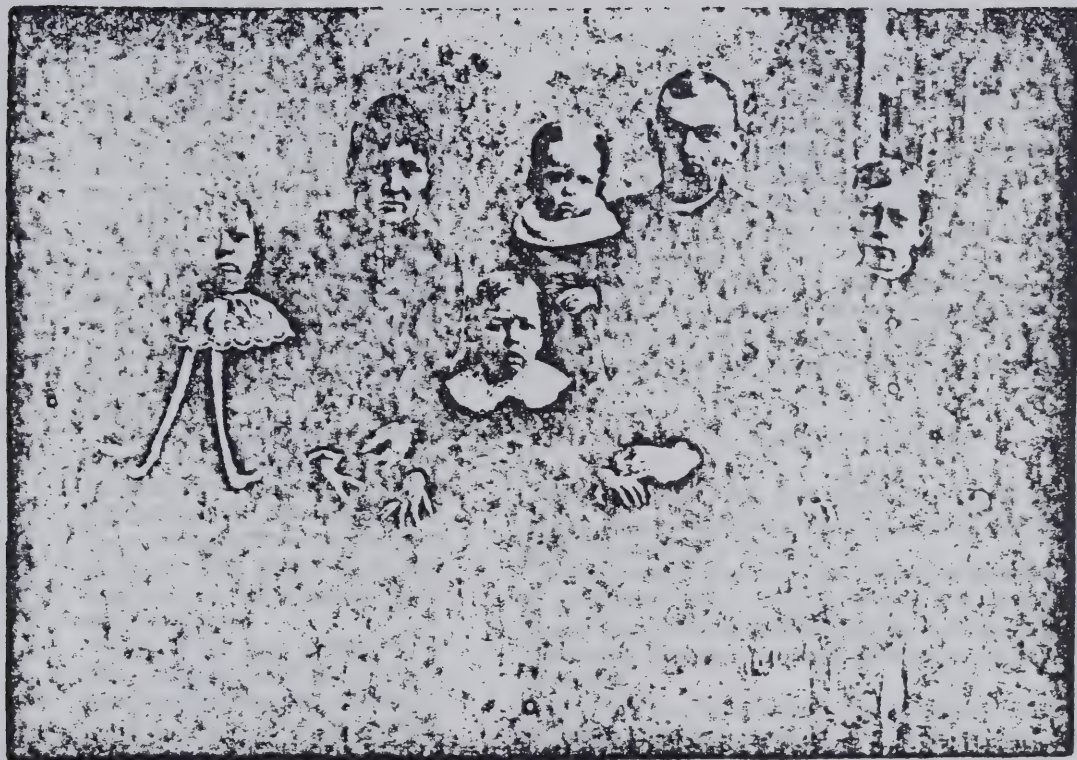
GERTRUDE (Mrs. Basil Hutchins " "

Mrs. JEAN BROOKS, Medway, Ohio oldest granddaughter of Mate Parr Dillman.

6. LLOYD PARR b. Sept. 1, 1893
m. LELAH ROBINETT 1894- (Tombstone Fairfield Cem.)

Farmers in LaGrange Co., Ind. Retired to Auburn, Ind.

ch: DEAN PARR res. of Gary, Ind.



J.B. HORN, ANGOLA, IND.

JOHN & SOVILLA (SHIPE) PARR AND FAMILY

OBITUARIES

MRS. SYLVIA E. PARR

d. 3/1/1970

Mrs. Sylvia E. Parr, of Route 1, Pleasant Lake, died at 6:35 p.m. Sunday in the National Nursing Home, Angola. She had been in failing health for the past two years.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. today (Wednesday) at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville. Interment followed in the Fairfield Cemetery in DeKalb County.

Born in LaGrange County, March 4, 1890, Mrs. Parr was the daughter of George and Alice (Shade) Canon. She and Shirley Parr were united in marriage April 6, 1910 in LaGrange and had lived in the Pleasant Lake area 46 years.

Mrs. Parr was a member of War Mothers, Unit 56; the Hudson United Methodist Church and its Women's Society of Christian Service.

Surviving in addition to her husband are a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Coney, of LaGrange; four sons, Donald and Merritt, both of Sturgis, Michigan; Dale of Pleasant Lake, and Gerald, Hobart; 14 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Frank Goodson, and a brother, George Dane Canon, both of Chattanooga, Tennessee.

JOHN PARR

d. Aug. 1970

Funeral services for John Parr, 80, of 208 North Darling Street, Angola, were conducted at 3:30 p.m. today (Wednesday) at the Weicht Funeral Home.

The Reverend Kenneth C. Thomas, pastor of the Angola Church of Christ, officiated over the rites. Interment followed in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Parr died at 7 a.m. Monday at the Cameron Memorial Hospital, Angola.

Survivors include his wife, Enola; one daughter, Mrs. Jack Simmons, of Fort Wayne; one grandchild; two great-grandchildren; two brothers, Lloyd of LaGrange, and Shirl of Auburn, and one sister, Donna Reed, of Blanchester, Ohio.

MRS. ENOLA PARR

1972

Widow of John Parr, Mrs. Enola Parr, 78, of 208 North Darling Street, Angola, died early Tuesday in Elmhurst Hospital, Angola, following a lengthy illness.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today (Wednesday) at the Weicht Funeral Home where funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday with The Reverend Stanley Liechty, pastor of Fairview Missionary Church, officiating. Interment will follow in Circle Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Parr was born June 8, 1893, to Eugene and Phoebe (Ewers) Rodebaugh. She was a member of the Angola Church of Christ.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Virginia Simmons, Fort Wayne; one granddaughter, Mrs. Julie Penner, of Ray; and two great-grandchildren.

SHIRLEY PARR

July 1972

Shirley Parr, 87, of Route 1, Ashley, died at 9:40 p.m. Sunday in the LaGrange County Hospital, LaGrange, where he had been a patient one day.

Funeral services are being conducted at 3 p.m. today (Wednesday) in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with The Reverend Titus Morningstar officiating. Interment will follow in Fairfield Cemetery in DeKalb County.

A retired farmer, Parr was born June 26, 1885, in Steuben County, a son of the late John O. and Sovilla (Shipe) Parr. He was a lifetime resident of Steuben and LaGrange Counties.

Parr was married to Sylvia Camon in LaGrange on April 6, 1910. She died March 1, 1970.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Coney, LaGrange; four sons, Donald and Merritt, of Sturgis, Michigan; Dale, Route 1, Ashley; and Gerald, of Hobart; one brother, Lloyd Parr, of Auburn; 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Two brothers and three sisters have preceded him in death.

ELIZABETH PARR

See pages 1 and 2

b. Nov. 22, 1823

p.b. Meckenheim, Germany

m. March 1846

d. Apr. 26, 1857

DeKalb Co., Ind.

She is recorded as Catherine

Eliz. in Sharon church record.

JOHN JACOB METZGER

b. Mar. 31, 1813 (1815)

p.b. Reinsburg, Rheinisch, Bavaria, Germany

d. Gratiot Co., Mich. Mar. 3, 1895

bu. Fairfield Cem, DeKalb Co., Ind.

To Ind. 1855 per Sharon's Church rec.

"John Jacob Metzger was the son of Philip Powell Metzger and Margaretta (Gloss) Metzger. He remained with his father until his majority. His mother died when he was three years old. He was drafted in the German army and served three years. He was allowed to purchase a substitute and was discharged at age twenty-four. He farmed 5 years, married, came to U.S. and settled in + Lawrence Co., Ohio. He bought 50 acres and lived there 9 years. The year 1855 he came to DeKalb Co. and bought 100 acres." He died at the home of a son in Michigan. His body was brought back to DeKalb Co. for interment in Fairfield Cemetery. Quotes from DeKalb Co. History Book, p. 578.

Children of John Jacob and Elizabeth (Parr) Metzger:

1. MARY, 2. ELIZABETH, 3. HENRY, 4. JOHN, 5. GEORGE L., 6. CATHERINE

1. MARY METZGER (bapt. Maria - Sharon Moravian Church record - Tusc. Co. O)

b. Dec. 4, 1846

m.

JOHN BRUCH

d. 1940, age 94

res: Cleveland, Ohio

ch: JOHN BRUCH

ch: JACKIE

res: Cleveland, Ohio

FRED BRUCH

LUCY BRUCH

m. ? CHAPMAN

ch:

?dau. BRUCH

m. ? WEHNES

ch: DANIEL

res: Cleveland, Ohio

2. ELIZABETH METZGER (bapt. Catherine Elizabeth per Sharon Church records)

b. Apr. 12, 1848, Ohio b. 2-9-1848 per Sharon rec.

m. Sept. 15, 1872, Ind. GOTTLIEB SCHWEITZER

d. 1921, age 73

res: Farmers, DeKalb Co., Ind.

ch: GEORGE SCHWEITZER 1874-1951

m. NORA STOMM 1877-1949

ch: CHARLES, ANNA, WILLARD, VERN, MARTHA (Geo. was a farmer in DeKalb Co, later n. of Hudson in Steuben Co. His ch. are all married)
See p. 30

EDWARD/EDWIN SCHWEITZER 1878-1971 m. /EDITH BICKEL 1885-
ch: VIRGIL, ROYAL, HAZEL, WILSON, RAYMOND, LLOYD

SOPHIA SCHWEITZER 1876-1972 (age 96) m. CHARLES CAMPBELL

res: near Waterloo, Ind. Farmers

ch: HERMAN d. ae 3, JOSEPH res. of Auburn, JUNE (Mrs. Davis d. young)

RUTH (Mrs. Harold Freed of Waterloo, ch: CHARLES, EVERETT, DORIS,
DOROTHY)

+
Should be Lawrence Twp, Tusc. Co., Ohio.



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Campbell

b. Apr. 28, 1881

ANN SCHWEITZER, living 1973

m. FRED DURST (widower)

ch: Step-dau. Mrs. GREENFIELD of Kendallville, Ind.

res: DeKalb Co., Ind. Farmers; lived on old Ashley-Auburn road.

Route 2, Waterloo, Ind.

3. HENRY METZGER

b. Apr. 12, 1850 Sharon Church Rec.

m.

d. 1918

res: Pompei, Mich.

4. JOHN METZGER

b. Feb. 20, 1852

m. A John Metzgor m. Kate Reinhart 3/20/1875 DeKalb Co. m. Rec.

d. 1890

res: Waterloo, DeKalb Co., Ind.

5. GEORGE METZGER GEORGE ADAM METZGER Sharon Church Record at Fry's Valley,

b. Nov. 29, 1859

Tuscarawas, Ohio

m.

CASSIE STROH

d. 1917 bu. Fairfield

1858-1953 bu. Fairfield

ch: AGNES METZGER

li. Sedan, DeKalb Co, Ind.

SYLVIA METZGER

OLLIE METZGER

m. MAN CLINE

ch: PAUL, EVERETT (deceased), and PAULINE

6. CATHERINE METZGER

b. Apr. 18, 1857

m.

JOHN FARRINGTON

d. Sept. 5, 1939, age 82

res: DeKalb Co., Ind. Farmers nr. Corunna, Ind.

ch: DENNIS FARRINGTON

m.

ch: ORVAL, KERMIT, WILLIAM, CATHERINE

THERON FARRINGTON

m.

In Nursing Home - 1973

ch: PHYLLIS Mrs. Mettcalfe); JUNE (Mrs. Terry): WAYNE

ROSCOE FARRINGTON

m. MAUDE E. WITTIG (DeKalb Co.

m. rec.)

ch: WAYNE

LAURA FARRINGTON

Never married; lived to ripe-old age; always keenly interested in the family history; spent her days on the farm in DeKalb Co., Ind.

EARL FARRINGTON

b. Nov. 30, 1888

m.

m. ADA WEIHMULLER

d. Jan. 23, 1970

b. June 16, 1894

(continued on p. 35)

Children of EARL & ADA WEIHMULLER FARRINGTON:

CHARLES FARRINGTON

b.

m.

ch: PATRICIA, JOHN, LOUISE, JAMES, REX, JULIA

BARBARA J. FARRINGTON

b.

m.

?

BEADELL

ch: MICHAEL

LOIS FARRINGTON

b.

m.

JACK ALBRIGHT

Owners of large modern grocery store, Corunna, Ind.

ch: DAVID, FRITZ, KAY, SUZANNE

THOMAS FARRINGTON

b.

m.

ch: CINDY, KATHY, WAYNE, CHERYL, RONALD, DONALD

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Many of the descendants of GEORGE & NORA (STOMM) SCHWEITZER are noted for their musical contributions in their schools, churches and community programs, and some are on the state, national and even international scene. The clipping below is in regard to their granddaughter BETTY FEAGLER and her husband ROBERT ZIMMER. Betty is the daughter of TED & ANNA (SCHWEITZER) FEAGLER.

A former Steuben County resident, Robert Zimmer, will be with the Cleveland Orchestra when it departs September 10 on a four-week tour of Australia and New Zealand.

Zimmer is in the first violin section of the orchestra, which is the first American orchestra in 13 years to play in this part of the world.

His wife, Betty, will accompany him on the trip along with wives of other orchestra members. Mrs. Zimmer, who teaches piano at the Cleveland Institute, is also a Steuben County native. The couples parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold

Zimmer and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Feagler are also well known in this county.

This is the third tour that the Zimmers have made with the Cleveland musicians. In 1967, the orchestra played concerts in Salsburg, Lucerne and Edinburgh. In 1970 they visited Japan and also played concerts in Seoul, Korea, and in Anchorage, Alaska.

On this years tour, concerts are scheduled in Honolulu, Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch, New Zealand, and Brisbane, Canberra, Adelaide, Melbourne, and Sydney, Australia.

Stanislaw Skrowaczewski, music director of the Minnesota orchestra.

Pianist Joerge Demus will join the orchestra for performances in Brisbane, Adelaide and Melbourne while soprano Birgit Nilsson will be singing with the orchestra in Sydney.

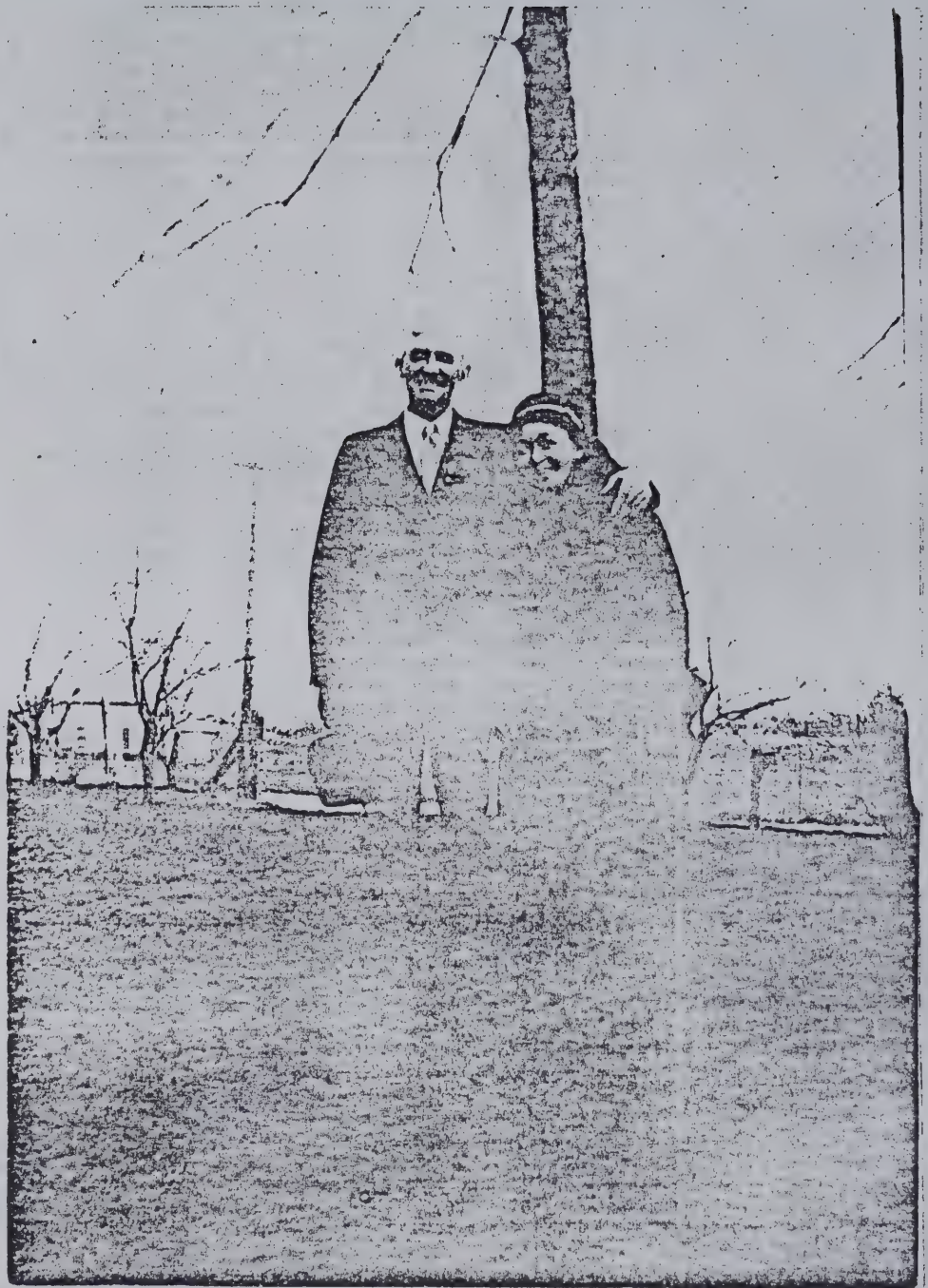
from the Steuben Republican

1972 or 1973

See p. 36.



ca 1934



ca 1918

THE GEORGE SCHWEITZER FAMILY

GEORGE ALBERT SCHWEITZER (from p. 43)

b. Sept. 25, 1874

m. Mar. 29, 1900

d. Aug. 28, 1951

NORA STOMM d/o HENRY & MARIA (GETTZ) STOMM

b. Feb. 7, 1877

d. Mar. 8, 1949

Children of Geo. Albert and Nora (Stomm) Schweitzer:

1. CHARLES 2. ANNA 3. WILLARD RAY 4. VERN 5. MARTHA

1. CHARLES SCHWEITZER

b.

m. ROWENA

d. b.

d.

Residence: Ashley, Ind.

ch: ROBERT SCHWEITZER

2. ANNA SCHWEITZER

b.

m. TED K. FEAGLER

d. b.

d.

Residence: Melbourne, Fla.

Ch: BETTY FEAGLER

3. WILLARD RAY SCHWEITZER

b. Sept. 15, 1909

m. Nov. 26, 1936 REBAH VIRGINIA SHERMAN

d. b. Aug. 12, 1916

Residence: Hudson, Ind. Farmer, 1 mi. N.W. of town - the former residence of his parents.

Ch: 1. RITA KAY SCHWEITZER b. May 14, 1941 (Telephone operator)
m. Apr. 8, 1960 DONALD RICHARD NICHOLAS
b. Mar. 3, 1941

Res: Route 1, Hudson, Ind.

Ch: GREGORY LYNN NICHOLAS b. July 22, 1961

BRIAN LANE NICHOLAS b. Mar. 23, 1965

2. FRANCES GAY SCHWEITZER b. Mar. 22, 1944 (Teacher)

m. Mar. 6, 1965 WALTER RAY LOCKWOOD, Jr.

b. Sept. 8, 1938

Res: Marion, Ind. Mr. Lockwood is a teacher & administrative assistant to Supt. of Schools.

Ch: KAREN KAY LOCKWOOD b. Oct. 4, 1965

MARK ALAN LOCKWOOD b. Feb. 18, 1969

See p. 37.

4. VERN SCHWEITZER

b.
m.
d.

res: Route 3, Kendallville, Ind. 46755

ch: MARCIA FAY SCHWEITZER

ALANSON (LANNIE) "

JANE ELLEN "

NORA "

KITTIE " twins

KATHY " "

5. MARTHA SCHWEITZER

b.
m. LOWELL STRITE
d.

res: Angola, Ind. Owned and operated Silver Lake Court for many years.

ch: DONNA MAE STRITE

BARBARA ANN "

JACK "

JEFF "

PARR TRADITION

in

(JOHN) PETER PARR LINE

"The Parrs were originally living in Lorraine, France. (The citizens of Lorraine at that time spoke German and were more Germanish than French in their customs.) They were Hueguenots and at the time of the Hueguenot Massacre they left their home and went over into Germany in the night with what goods they could carry on a wagon. I have no first names for this adventure. It was said that the baby of the family was in its cradle on the back of the wagon. The cradle fell off the wagon with the baby in it. This was not noticed at first, and when it was noticed, the hired man went back and found the baby and cradle about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile away.

"Bob (Robert M. Parr 1903-1974, p. 39) had a cousin, Matilda Brydert, who was a daughter of Anna Mertz's daughter by Mr. Karl. She told me that when the family lived in Lorraine their name was Zarr and that they changed it after they moved to Germany. Bob confirmed this, saying he had heard this story as a child.

"This is probably why we seem to be the only Parr's of German descent. All the other families of Parrs that I have come into contact with were English."

Mrs. Robert M. Parr
Route 2, Box 312
Rapid City, Mich. 49676

(JOHN) PETER PARR (from p. 3, also see p. 38.)
 b. Feb. 13, 1826
 p.b. Meckenheim, Germany
 m. three times 1st MARY LICHTY b. Apr. 20, 1831; d. Apr. 24, 1857
 d. Jan. 3, 1907 2nd ELIZABETH ANSTETT b. 1838; d. prior to Apr. 59
 bu. Zion Lutheran Cemetery 3rd ANNA MERTZ KARL, b. 1825; d. Jan. 6, 1892
 Fairfield, DeKalb Co.
 Farmer - Wayne Twp, Noble Co., Ind.

John Peter Parr is found in most records simply as Peter Parr. This was probably to differentiate him from his father, John A. Parr and his half brother, John Parr. It was the custom in those days to perpetuate the family names, and we often find two or three children with the same first name as their mother or father. However, they were commonly called by their middle name, at least as long as the parent was living, however, then one (if they hadn't already) would assume the use of the parent's first name. Often there were cousins in the same community with the same names, too, carrying on the same policy.

The 1850 Census finds Peter Parr living in Warwick Twp., Tuscarawas Co., Ohio. His wife's name is given as "Mary" and no children.

Sharon Moravian Church records in Warwick Twp. show that Peter Parr had married a member of their church, Mary Lichty born Apr. 20, 1821, the dau. of Abraham and Elisabeth Lichty, the mother having been a Mennonite born at Meliagern and baptized at Friedelsheyn. Peter Parr joined the church and sang in the choir. The birth and death of their first child is in those same records. Soon after this, he moved to DeKalb Co., Ind. where his wife died in 1857 and is buried in Fairfield Cemetery. He was left with 3 motherless children and the DeKalb Co., Ind. marriage records show that he married Elizabeth Anstett (see p. 21) on Aug. 2, 1857. She may have died at childbirth as there is no record of her leaving any descendants. The DeKalb marriage records show that Peter married April 21, 1859 Anna Karl nee Mertz, a widow with 3 children, and then she and Peter had 5 more. By 1870, they were living in Wayne Twp, Noble Co., Ind., actually just a few miles from where they had previously lived in DeKalb Co, and the census would indicate that they were quite prosperous farmers. Peter is buried beside his 3rd wife in the Zion (German) Lutheran Church cemetery.

- ch: 1. CATHERINE ELIZABETH PARR b. 10-21-1850; d. 8-26-1852 Sharon Church Rec.
 (bapt. 12-8-1850 Sponsors-Cath. Lehn & John & Maria Meyer)
2. CATHARINE PARR b. ca 1851, Ohio - age 19, 1870 C.
3. ELISERS PARR b. ca 1853, Ohio - age 17, 1870 C.
4. ELISABETH PARR b. ca 1855, Ind - age 15, 1870 C.
 Prob. Anna Karl's dau.
5. JACOB PARR b. ca. 1857, Ohio - age 13, 1870 C.
- * 6. MARTIN PARR b. ca 1860, Ind. - age 10, 1870 C.
 d. died as a young man
7. MARY PARR b. ca 1862, Ind. - age 8, 1870 C.
8. CHRISTINA b. ca 1864, Ind. - age 6, 1870 C.
 Known as JENNY and lived in Grand Rapids, Mich.

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+Anstett Family History

*Is this the Martin Parr h. of Eliz. Gillian (Noble Co. Ind.) d/o John & Marg. Gillian?

9. CATHARINE PARR b. ca 1866, Ind. - age 4, 1870 C.

10. PETER JOHN PARR b. ca 1868, Ind. - age 2, 1870 C.

b. Aug. 1, 1868, Wayne Twp, Noble Co., Ind.

m: Jan. 15, 1891 (DeKalb Co. mar. rec.) LOUISA WILHELMINA ZIEBELL

d. Mar. 4, 1946

b. Wayne Twp., Noble Co., Ind.

bu. Zion Lutheran Cemetery

d. Aug. 27, 1916

nr. Fairfield Center, Ind.

bu. Zion Lutheran Cemetery

ch: EDWIN PARR

d. when 3 mo. old

ROBERT MARTIN PARR

b. Nov. 8, 1903

m. + HELEN CALL

d. Jan. 11, 1974

bu. Michigan

ch: ¹WILLIAM (JACKSON) PARR

b. Sept. 3, 1934 (adopted when 4 yrs. old)

m. ALICE JEAN MERRIMAN

ch: BONNIE b. May 11, 1956

WM., JR. b. Oct. 1, 1957

²JOHN PARR

b. June 2, 1941

not married

³GEORGE PARR

b. Sept. 29, 1944

not married

⁴LOUISE PARR

b. Dec. 16, 1948

m. DONALD HINDS

ch: CHRISTOPHER DONALD b. June 2, 1973

⁵LINDA PARR

b. Mar. 17, 1951 (Peace Corps member serving in Brazil)

+ Mrs. Robert M. Parr states that they lived the first 10 years of their married life with her father-in-law, Peter John Parr, Jr. who was a widower, and he often told her about his Parr line - how that he was named for his father, and that his father was a widower with 3 children and that he married the widow, Anna Martz Karl who had 3 children, and that together they had 5 more. Also, that Mrs. Frank Blech (Alma) was also raised by them, and that Alma was his grandchild through his 1st marriage, who had become orphaned.

The following data gleaned from Alma and Frank Blech's obituaries:

ALMA CHRISTINE PARR b. 7-20-1889 Hart, Mich. Her parents died when she was a small child, and she was raised by Peter Parr. She died Oct. 1957 - was a member of Zion Lutheran Church and is buried in their cemetery. She was survived by 4 sons, HAROLD, PAUL & EDWIN of Kendallville & ROBERT of Waterloo; her husband FRANK B. BLECH (d. Dec. 8, 1971) and 2 sisters, Mrs. CLARA BEACH of San Diego, Calif. and MARTHA of Detroit; 2 bro. ALBERT PARR of Independence, Mo. and ROBERT PARR of So. Milford.

ELI PARR³ (JOHN PETER², JOHN¹) (from p. 39)

b. ca 1853, Ohio

m. ANN NUESDORFER

d. 1901 b.

bu. Eldridge Twp. Cemetery

d. Jan. 5, 1895

Oceana Co., Mich.

bu. Eldridge Twp. Cemetery,
Oceana Co., Mich.

children include: ALMA, CLARA, MARTHA, EMMA and ALBERT.

"As I understand it Clara, Alma and Emma are deceased. Albert resides at Cole Turkey Acres, Warsaw, Mo." per Mrs. Robert Blech, Waterloo, Ind.

See abstracted obituary of Alma Christine Parr Blech on p. 40. Robert Parr of So. Milford was listed as a brother. However, he was actually a first cousin. When the above Eli's wife died, his brother Peter John Parr went up to Mich. and brought the 5½ yr. old Alma home and raised her with his children as his own. Mrs. Robert Parr writes "Yes, Bob was mentioned in her obituary as a brother, since he always considered her to be his sister. They were close friends and no one could have been a better sister-in-law."

ALMA CHRISTINE PARR⁴ (dau. of Eli and Ann (Nuesdorfer) Parr)

b. July 20, 1889 Hart, Mich.

m. Mar. 4, 1916 St. John's Luth. Ch.

FRANK BERNARD BLECH

Kendallville, Ind.

b. July 10, 1892 Noble Co., Ind.

d. Apr. 4, 1957

d. Dec. 8, 1971

bu. Zion Luth. Church Cemetery

bu. Zion Luth. Church Cemetery

ch: HAROLD, PAUL, EDWIN and ROBERT

(1) HAROLD BLECH

b. Jan. 31, 1916 Noble Co., Ind.

m.

DOROTHY KREHL daughter of

d.

Harry F. and Emiley (Schreiber) Krehl

b. July 7, 1915 Steuben Co., Ind.

ch: ¹SHIRLEY BLECH

b. Apr. 14, 1941 Kendallville, Ind.

m. Mar. 5, 1961 to ALBERT E. SPALL

ch: CARLA GAIL SPALL

b. Apr. 8, 1962, Fort Wayne, Ind.

LAURA RENEE "

b. Sept. 7, 1964 " " "

JULIA ANN "

b. Jan. 30, 1970 " " "

²LARRY L. BLECH

b. June 16, 1943, Kendallville, Ind.

m. Nov. 30, 1963 to MELINDA L. BLECH

ch: LYSHELL ReANN BLECH

b. Nov. 10, 1966 Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii

LAINIE KATHLEEN "

b. Nov. 29, 1968 Ft. Wayne, Ind.

³DALE BLECH

b. Feb. 10, 1945 Kendallville, Ind.

m. Apr. 6, 1974 to KATHLEEN POLAKAWSKI

from family records of Mrs. Harold Blech of Kendallville

(2) PAUL JUNIOR BLECH (continued from p. 41)

b. Aug. 26, 1918 Kendallville, Ind.

m.

d.

MARGARET LOUISE KLINE daughter of
 Harold H. & Mildred R. (Barker) Kline
 b. Dec. 2, 1922 Kendallville, Ind.
 d.

ch: ¹ REX BLECH

b. Oct. 5, 1951 Kendallville, Ind.

² KAREN BLECH

b. Sept. 3, 1954 Kendallville, Ind.

(from family records of Paul Blech, Kendallville, Ind.)

(3) ROBERT WALTER BLECH

b. June 16, 1925 Corunna, Ind. (DeKalb Co.)

m.

d.

BEVERLY DEANNE SHERWOOD daughter of
 Geo. Elijah & Ann C. (Freed) Sherwood
 b. Jan. 19, 1926 Auburn, Ind.
 d.

ch: ¹ ROBERT WALTER BLECH, JR.

b. Oct. 24, 1950 Auburn, Ind.

m. June 10, 1972 to MARY JANE WATTS

² MARIE EILEEN BLECH

b. May 22, 1956 Auburn, Ind.

(from family records of Mrs. Robert W. Blech of Waterloo)

(4) EDWIN BLECH

b.

m.

d.

GEORGE PARR (son of JOHN A. PARR from p. 1)

b. June 3, 1831 in Rhine province of Bavaria per his obit.
 m. Sept. 20, 1860 ELIZA WEATHERBEE (See Tuscarawas Co. m. rec.)
 d. Jan. 6, 1907 b. May 4, 1834
 bu. St. James Luth. Cem. d. Sept. 3, 1908-dates from tombstone
 Tuscarawas, Ohio bu. St. James Lutheran Church Cemetery
 Tuscarawas, Ohio

In the 1860 Census, Geo. A. Parr is listed as the head of the household, living in Warwick Twp, Tuscarawas Co., Ohio with P.O. address as Trenton. His age is given as 28, and others living in the household are Jacob age 26, Catharine age 24 and Elisabeth age 58. There is also a Catharina age 12 or 13 in the household - her data is not clearly written, and her last name appears to be Newstafal. At the time of the census, George A. was an unmarried man, but was married soon after. Living in the same household is his younger brother Jacob and his wife, Catherine (see p. 43), and Elisabeth 58 is the widowed mother of Jacob and George.

Children of Geo. and Eliza (Weatherbee) Parr:

1. GUSTIF /GUSTAVE A. PARR (Never married; a retail merchant in Dennison, Ohio)
 b. Mar. 20, 1861
 d. 1931 (dates from tombstone)
 bu. St. James Lutheran Church Cemetery
 Tuscarawas, Ohio
2. ISAAC ARTHUR PARR
 b. Sept. 17, 1862
 d. Jan. 5, 1864, buried Trenton, now Pt. Washington.
3. CORA A. PARR
 b. 1866
 m. June 17, 1900 WILLIAM LEHR (St. James Church Rec.)
 d. 1937 (Tombstone info: Cora A. Parr Lehr 1866-1937)
 bu. St. James Lutheran Church Cemetery
 Tuscarawas, Ohio
4. OLIVER A. PARR (The Parr Bros. Clothing and Shoe Business, Dennison, Ohio)
 b. Sept. 15, 1874
 m. Sept. 17, 1902 EDNA C. MINNICH m. 2nd R. HENDERSON
 d. Feb. 21, 1938 b. Mar. 2, 1880
 bu. St. James Lutheran Church Cemetery
 Tuscarawas, Ohio
 ch:
 - ¹GEORGE HORACE PARR
 b. Jan. 10, 1904
 m. MARY HUDSON of Shanesville, Ohio
 d. Sept. 27, 1969, Elkart, Ind. (See obit. on next page)
 - ²RUTH PARR (now Mrs. Ruth Septer of Bloomington, Ill.)
 b. Dec. 2, 1906
 m.

In 1973, Mrs. Edna Henderson writes that she is living with her dau. Ruth in Bloomington, and that when Horace was about 6 and Ruth about 3, they visited the Parrs in Indiana.

JACOB PARR (Son of John A. Parr from p. 1)

b. 1833

p.b. Germany

m. Apr. 16, 1858

CATHERINE HAMAN (See Tusc. Co. mar. rec.)

d. May 8, 1901 ae 67y 8m 25d

b. 1835

bu. St. James Luth. Cem.

d. Mar. 2, 1901 ae 65y 5m 24d--Tombstone info.

Tuscarawas, Ohio

bu. St. James Lutheran Church Cemetery

In the 1850 Census, Jacob is 17 yrs. old and living with his parents.

In the 1860 " he and his wife are living with his widowed mother in the household headed by his older brother, who was at that time unmarried.

In the 1870 Census, Jacob is a prospering farmer living on his own farm, and is shown to have two children.

Children of Jacob and Catherine (Haman/Harman) Parr:

1. ANNA M. PARR

b. ca 1866, ae 4 in 1870 Census

m. never married

d.

Anna M. Parr had a millinery store in New Philadelphia. On Mar. 22, 1940, she changed her church membership from St. James Lutheran at Tuscarawas to Emanuel Lutheran at New Philadelphia, per St. James church record.

2. ELMER SYL PARR.

b. Sept. 16, 1867. Listed as 2 yrs. old in the 1870 census.

Baptized at Sharon Moravian on Oct. 13, 1867. Religion - Evangel. Prot.

Sponsors - John Parr and Cath. Sehl.

1897 Letter written to Cousin Len Parr, Salem Center, Ind. mentioned owning a store, and said "Tell your Grandpa (George Parr 1820-1897) that Uncle John Parr (half brother of George) is quite poorly." Letter signed, A.M. Parr, Tuscarawas. The Uncle John Parr mentioned in the letter must have died within the year, as his will is probated in 1898 - See p. 44.

Sept. 27, 1969 - Dennison, Ohio. George H. Parr, 65, of 803 Franklin Street, Elkhart, Ind. died 9-27-1969. His father was Oliver Parr who operated a store with an uncle at Dennison. Widow is Mary Hudson of Shanesville. Mother is Mrs. Robert (Edna Minnich Parr) Henderson and sister Mrs. Ruth Septer, both of Bloomington, Ind. Burial at Elkhart.

JOHN PARR (Son of John A. Parr from p. 1)

b. ca 1835 per Census records

p.b. Germany " " "

(KADERLY)

m. 1st July 17, 1856

1st ANNA MARY RAVERLY per Tusc. Co. m. rec.

2nd May 28, 1868

age 24, b. Switzerland per 1860 C.

See Tuscarawas Co. m. rec.

d. Will probated 1898

2nd LYDIA ANN HEETER/HUETHER

age 25, b. Ohio per 1870 C.

In the 1860 Census John Parr is working as a carpenter, married and has 3 children and lives in Warwick Twp, Tuscarawas Co. Ohio. P.O. Trenton.

In the 1870 Census he is a miller, living in Goshen Twp., New Philadelphia and apparently his first wife has died, and he has remarried. His one year old son, John Parr of the 1860 C. is shown in the 1870 C. to be 11 yrs. old and living in the Benedict and Anna Kaderly home. These Kaderlys are members of St. James Lutheran Church, and no doubt John Parr's mother was their daughter.

Reminiscences of Dover in the chapter Business Men of 1872 states that in 1870 Messrs. Philip Gintz and John Parr bought the Dover Valley Mill, which was for many years the largest mill in Tuscarawas county, having three run of stone, making about 50 barrels per day and that the flour has always had a good reputation. This book was published in 1879 and states that at that time Gintz and Parr are in New Philadelphia.

Will Book 11, p. 247 Probate Court, New Philadelphia, Ohio 10-11-1898:
(Abstracted data)

Parr, John, Goshen Twp, town of New Philadelphia about 58 yrs. of age. Pay debts. To beloved wife Lydia A. Parr, all rents and profits. Any notes against children to be deducted from distributed share. Benjamin F. Parr, Ex. In case of death of Benjamin then Edwin P. Parr Ex. May 19, 1893. s/s Edwin P. Parr, Benjamin F. Parr, John J. Parr and Charles A. Parr. To Charles A. Parr, John J. Parr, Benjamin F. Parr, Edwin P. Parr, also Norman E. Senhauser and John G. Senhauser, Albert C. Senhauser and Margaret A. Senhauser and Willie A. Senhauser minors under 14 yrs. of age.

Children of John Parr:

1. CHARLES ALBERT PARR b. ca 1857, age 3 1860 C.
In 1897 he and his wife Ella were living in Burlington, Coffee Co., Kans. They had a dau. CHARLOTTE ANNIE b. 1886. Gilbert Parr, son of Jacob & Anna Parr, visited them there in 1897.
2. JOHN JACOB PARR b. ca 1859, age 1 1860 C.
Age 11 in 1870 C. & living in Benedict Kaderly home
His ch: MARGARET & NORMAN C. PARR of New Philadelphia, Ohio.
3. ALICE PARR b. ca 1861, age 9 1870 C.
m. 3-10-1881 NORMAN W. SENHAUSER (Ref. History of Tuscarawas Co. 1884)
d. before May 19, 1893 - see her father's will.
ch: NORMAN EDWIN, JOHN G, ALBERT C, MARGARET A, WILLIE A, all minors under 14 yrs. of age 10-11-1898.
4. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN PARR b. 3-10-1869, bapt. 5-16-1869 Sharon Moravian Church. His mother is shown as a member. Sponsors: Geo. & Eliza Parr & Benj. Huether. He had: ALBERT & JAMES PARR.

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5. EDWIN/EDWARD P. PARR (Son of John and Lydia Huether Parr)
 Lived in Tuscarawas Co., Ohio. Married Gertrude.
 Children - none.

Letter from Norman C. Parr of New Philadelphia - 1968 "I remember my father saying that his grandmother came to Tuscarawas with her three sons, Geo. A., Jacob and John. John had four sons and a daughter, one son John Parr was my father. The rest of the children were Charles who moved to Kansas, Edward and Benjamin who remained in Tuscarawas Co., Ohio. I with my father and mother came to Steuben Co., Ind. the year 1903 to visit relatives Peter Parr, Jacob Parr, George Parr and their families. Unfortunately, my sister Margaret, who was well versed on the family background is now in a nursing home and unable to communicate. My father's only sister died at an early age."

Letter from Edna M. Henderson (widow of Oliver Parr) - 1973. "Edward and Gertrude Parr, Oliver and I, and our two children were visiting the Parr relatives in Indiana when our daughter Ruth was about three years old and our son Horace was 6 years old. Geo. Parr had three children - Gustave, Cora and my husband Oliver. Oliver was 6 yrs. older than I. Edward and Gertrude had no children. Benjamin had two boys, Albert and James."

Mrs. Peggy Fielder, daughter of Norman C. Parr who was the son of John Jacob Parr states that Albert Parr descendant of her grt. grandfather John Parr lives in Coshocton, Ohio, and that another descendant, Jim Parr lives some place in Florida.

History of Tuscarawas Co., Ohio 1884 "NORMAN W. SENHAUSER of G. Senhauser and Son, was b. in this city, Dec. 30, 1858. He was well educated and spent five years in W. Virginia, a portion of the time being employed in teaching school. He then returned home and clerked for Kaderly & Burry for five years. On March 1, 1883 he purchased a half interest in the clothing business of his father, and is now conducting the business. Mr. Senhauser is a member of the New Philadelphia Lodge, No. 107, I.O.O.F. and Democratic in politics. He was married March 10, 1881 to ALICE DAUGHTER OF JOHN PARR, of New Philadelphia. They have one son - Norman Edwin. Mr. and Mrs. Senhauser are members of the German Reformed Church." In the 1972 New Philadelphia telephone directory yellow pages "Senhauser's Ed Richman's Inc.... For over 75 yrs. America's greatest clothing value, Manhattan Shirts, Formal Wear Rental, Jaymar Slacks, Mallory Hats."



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